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Die Lunæ 17^o Januarij 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

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Die Martis 18^o Januarij 1763^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to impower the general Court to grant Writts of Partition of Lands and Tenements held in Coparcenary, joint Tenancy and Tenancy in Common in this Province and appointing the Method of Proceeding;

House in Committee on Bill to impower the genl. Court to grant Writts of Partition &c.—

After some Time,

The House was resumed and M^r Clifton reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereunto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

Bill amended.

ORDERED That the Report be received on Thursday next.

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent Persons throwing Ballast or Rubbish or falling Trees into the

House in Committee on Bill to prevent Rubbish &c. being thrown into Rivers &c.—

Rivers and navigable Creeks within this Province and keeping clear the Channels of the same.

After some Time,

The House was resumed and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had made some Progress in the said Bill and desire another Time may be appointed to sit again.

Bill not gone thro'.—

It is Ordered That the House be put into a Committee again to proceed on the said Bill on Monday next.

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Ordinance from the Commons House appointing William Knox Esq^r Agent for the Affairs of this Province in great Britain;

House in Committee on Ordinance appointing an Agent—

After some Time,

The House was resumed and M^r Clifton reported that the Committee had gone through the Ordinance and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment And he delivered the Ordinance in at the Table.

Reported without Amendmt.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be read a Third Time on Thursday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 19^o Januarij 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 20° Januarij 1763°

Amendmts to the Bill to im-
power the genl.
Court to grant
Writs of Parti-
tion &c. report-
ed and agreed
to— Mr Clifton from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the general Court of Pleas to grant Writs of Partition of Lands and Tenements held in Coparcenary, joint Tenancy and Tenancy in Common in this Province and appointing the Method of Proceeding; which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on the thirty first Instant.

Ordinance ap-
pointing an
Agent read a
third Time— The ingrossed Ordinance from the Commons House appointing William Knox Esq^r Agent for the Affairs of this Province in great Britain; was read a third Time.

And passed— And the Question was Put “Whether this Ordinance shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to the
Coms. Ho: ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Deputy Secretary (in the Absence of the Master in Chancery) to return the said Ordinance and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Bill to prevent
fraudulent
Mortgages &c.
read 2d Time— The Bill intituled an Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances, for enabling Feme Coverts to pass away their Estates, and for making valid all Deeds Conveyances and Acknowledgements heretofore made by Feme Coverts or others in Respect to any Defect in the

Form and Manner of making thereof; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed,

And committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next.

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: to impower
Comrs. to lay
out a Spot of
Ground for
erecting a Par-
ish Church in
Savannah—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Read; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to impower the Commissioners appointed in and by an Act of the general Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for repairing of Christ Church Parish in Savannah to lay out a Spot of Ground for erecting a Parish Church thereon.

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: for con-
tinug. an Act
to regulate As-
size of Bread—

Also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for regulating the assize of Bread.

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: for amend-
ing an Act for
constituting
and dividing
the sevl. Dis-
tricts of this
Prov: into Par-
ishes &c.—

Also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for amending an Act for constituting and dividing the several Districts and Divisions of this Province into Parishes, and for establishing of religious Worship therein according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England; and also for empowering the Church Wardens and Vestry men of the respective Parishes to assess Rates for the Repair of Churches the Relief of the Poor and other parochial Services; And for enlarging the public Burial Ground in Savannah and inclosing the same.

All the said
Bills read 1st
Time—

To which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable And the said Bills were severally read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bills be severally read a second Time on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 21^o Januarij 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 22^o Januarij 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 24^o Januarij 1763^o

A Message from the Commons House by M^r M^c-
Keithen in the following Words, viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 20th Jan^y 1763.

Honourable Gentlemen,

The Commons House of Assembly have come to the

Message fm.
Coms. House
regarding re-
pairing the
Church in Sa-
vannah.

following Resolution, viz^t, to grant a Sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty Pounds Sterling for repairing the Parish Church in the Town of Savannah, and to empower the Commissioners appointed to repair the said Parish Church to agree with hire and employ Artificers Workmen and Labourers, and to contract for purchase and provide necessary Materials for the doing thereof So as the whole Expence of repairing the said Church do not exceed the said Sum of One hundred and thirty Pounds Sterling This House therefore Desire your Honours will please to concur with this House relative to every Matter contained in the said Resolution.

Bill for con-
tinuing Act for
regulatg. As-
size of Bread
read a second
Time,

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for continuing an Act of the general Assembly of this Province for regulating the Assize of Bread was read a Second Time.

and

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed,

Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

Bill for amend-
ing the Parish
Act read a sec-
ond Time—

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for amending an Act for constituting and dividing the several Districts and Divisions of this Province into Parishes and for establishing of religious Worship therein according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England; and also for empowering the Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the respective Parishes to assess Rates for the Repair of Churches the Relief of the Poor and other parochial Services; and for enlarging the public burial Ground in Savannah and inclosing the same was read a Second Time.

and

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed,

Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

Bill impowrg.
Commrs. to lay
out Ground for
a Church read
a second Time

and

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners appointed in and by an Act of the general Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for repairing of Christ Church in Savannah to lay out a Spot of Ground for erecting a Parish Church thereon; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed,

Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to prevent
fraudulent
Mortgages
&c.—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances for enabling Feme Coverts to pass away their Estates, and for making valid all Deeds Conveyances and Acknowledgements heretofore made by Feme Coverts or others in Respect to any Defect in the Form and Manner of making thereof;

After some Time,

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, And M^r Clifton reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Ordered to be
ingrossed

ORDERED That the Bill be ingrossed.

House again in
Committee on
Bill to prevent
Rubbish being
thrown into
Rivers &c.—

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee to consider further of the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent Persons throwing Ballast or Rubbish or falling Trees into the Rivers and navigable Creeks within this Province and keeping clear the Channels of the same;

After some Time,

Bill amended.

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made Several Amendments thereunto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received on the tenth Day of February next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Märtis 25^o Januarij 1763^o

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to amend Act
for regulatg.
the Assize of
Bread.

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for continuing an Act of the general Assembly of this Province for regulating the Assize of Bread;

After some Time,

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, And M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House with-

out any Amendment; and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Friday next.

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners appointed in and by an Act of the General Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for repairing of Christ Church in Savannah to lay out a Spot of Ground for erecting a Parish Church thereon;

House in Committee on Bill impowerg. Commissrs. to lay out Grod. for a Church

After some Time,

The House was resumed, and M^r Martin reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment; And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Reported without Amendmt.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Friday next.

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for amending an Act for constituting and dividing the several Districts and Divisions of this Province into Parishes and for establishing of religious Worship therein according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England; and also for empowering the Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the respective Parishes to assess Rates for the Repair of Churches the Relief of the Poor and other parochial Services; And for enlarging the public Burial Ground at Savannah and inclosing the same;

House in Committee on the Parish Bill—

After some Time,

The House was resumed, And M^r Clifton reported
Reported with-
out Amendmt. that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that
 he was directed to report the same to the House without
 any Amendment; and he delivered the Bill in at the
 Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on
 Friday next.

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and
House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to prevent the
spreading of
contagious Dis-
tempers &c.— put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Com-
 mons House intituled an Act to prevent bringing into and
 spreading of contagious Distempers in this Province; and
 to oblige Vessels going out of any Port within the same
 first to produce for that Purpose a Pass-port from the
 Governour or Commander in chief for the Time being;
 And also to prevent the harbouring of sick Sailors and
 others;

After some Time,

The House was resumed, And M^r Clifton reported that
Reported with-
out Amendmt. the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he
 was directed to report the same to the House without
 any Amendment; And he delivered the Bill in at the
 Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on
 Friday next.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the
 Master in Chancery in the following Words, viz^t,

Upper House of Assembly 25th January 1763.

M^r Speaker

In Answer to your Message dated the 20th Instant in-

Message to
Coms. Ho: in
Answr. to their
Message about
repairing the
Church—

forming this House of the Resolution your House had come to to grant a Sum not exceeding One hundred and thirty Pounds Sterling for repairing the Parish Church in the Town of Savannah and to empower the Commissioners appointed to repair the said Parish Church to agree with hire and employ Artificers Workmen and Labourers, and to contract for purchase and Provide necessary Materials for the doing thereof so as the same do not exceed the Sum resolved to be granted. This House doth concur in the said Resolution.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 26° Januarij 1763°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 27° Januarij 1763°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 28° Januarij 1763°

Bill to revive an Act to prevent Persons purchasg. Land fm. Indians &c. presented received and read first Time—

M^r Clifton presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act to revive an Act passed the sixth Day of December 1759 intituled an Act to amend an Act passed in the third Session of this present general Assembly intituled an Act to prevent private Persons from purchasing Lands from the Indians and for preventing Persons trading with them without Licence; and the same was received and read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Bill fm. Coms. House to exempt Inhabitants of Sunbury fm. working on public Roads &c.—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Joseph Gibbons, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for exempting the Inhabitants of the Town of Sunbury from Working on public Roads; and for clearing and keeping clean the Bay, Streets and (sic) Alleys of the said Town, and the same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first Time.

Bill for laying out Ground for a Church read a third Time—

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners appointed in and by an Act of the general Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for repairing of Christ Church in Savannah to lay out a Spot of Ground for erecting a Parish Church thereon was read a third Time; And an Amendment being made by the House to the Title of the said Bill:

Title of Bill altered

It is Resolved That the Title of the Bill be an act to empower the Commissioners appointed in and by an Act of the general Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for repairing of Christ Church in Savannah to lay out a Spot of Ground for erecting a Parish Church thereon; And to remove the present Market and lay out a Spot of Ground for re-erecting the same.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the
 Bill passed Amendment shall pass?"

and It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons
 Sent to Coms. House House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill
 and desire their Concurrence in the Amendment made
 by this House thereto.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intit-
 Bill for contin- uled an Act for continuing an Act of the general Assem-
 uing Act for bly of this Province for regulating the Assize of Bread
 regulating As- read a third
 size of Bread Time—
 and
 amended was by the House to the Title and in the Body of the Bill:

It is resolved That the Title of the Bill be an Act for
 Title altered continuing and amending an Act of the general Assembly
 and of this Province for regulating the Assize of Bread.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with
 Bill passed with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons
 Bill sent to Coms. House House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill
 and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by
 this House thereto.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
 Bill to amend the Parish Act read a third Time—
 an Act for amending an Act for constituting and dividing
 the several Districts and Divisions of this Province into
 Parishes, and for establishing of religious Worship there-
 in according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church
 of England; And also for empowering the Church Ward-
 ens and Vestrymen of the respective Parishes to assess
 Rates for the Repair of Churches the Relief of the Poor

An Amendmt.
made thereto—

and

Passed.

and other parochial Services: And for enlarging the public burial Ground at Savannah and inclosing the same: was read a third Time and an Amendment being made by the House to the Bill,

The Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendment shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Bill sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendment made by this House thereto.

Bill to prevent
the spreadg of
contagious Dis-
tempers &c.
read a third
Time.

amended

and

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent the bringing into, and spreading of contagious Distempers in this Province and to oblige Vessels going out of any Port within the same first to produce for that Purpose a Passport from the Governour or Commander in chief for the Time being; And also to prevent the harbouring of sick Sailors and others: was read a Third Time And Amendments being made by the House to the Bill,

Passed.

The Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Bill sent to the
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

M^r President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this

House and he delivered it in at the Table where the same was read and is as follows, viz^t,

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm. his
Excellency the
Governour—

M^r Montaigut as Agent for victualling his Majesty's Troops in this Province has laid before me a Copy of the Contract made between the Lords Commissioners of his Majesty's Treasury and S^r James Colebrook and others for victualling his Majesty's Forces in North America by which he says they are only to deliver the Provisions into the Store-houses at Albany, or in any Sea Port in North America where they shall be directed to deliver the same, and are not obliged to transport them from thence to such Out-Posts or Commands as may be necessary in the respective Provinces as the former Contractors had undertaken and were obliged to do. M^r Montaigut has also laid before me an Account of Expences incurred from June 1760 to June 1762 for Storage and Carriage of Provisions from Savannah to several of the Forts of this Province amounting to £39.. 6^s.. 10^d which Account together with the Contract I have sent to the Commons House of Assembly and shall only observe that all Services of this Kind for the future may be performed by the Scout Boat.

Some Spanish Prisoners having been lately sent here from Frederica I have ordered them to be taken Care of by the Provost Marshal in one of the Caponieres in Fort Hallifax and to be furnished with Provisions by him in the same Manner as some other Prisoners were last Summer the Expence of which as well as those now here I must recommend it to you to consider of and concur with the Assembly in providing for.

JA: WRIGHT

Savannah in Georgia

28th Jan^r 1763.

An Address re-
solved on in
Answer to his
Excellency's
Message.

RESOLVED That an humble Address be presented to his Excellency the Governour acquainting his Excellency that this House having taken under their Consideration the aforesaid Message Have resolved that they will readily and chearfully concur with the Commons House in any Provision they may make for the Services recommended by his Excellency in the said Message.

ORDERED That M^r Clifton and M^r Powell do present the said Address.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 29^o Januarii 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 31^o Januarii 1763^o

Bill to revive an
Act to prevent
Persons purchas-
ing Lands from
Indians read a second
Time—

and

The Bill intituled an Act to revive an Act passed the Sixth Day of December 1759 intituled an Act to amend an Act passed in the third Session of this present general Assembly intituled an Act to prevent private Persons from purchasing Lands from the Indians and for preventing Persons trading with them without Licence was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed,

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee
 committed of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Thursday the tenth Day of February next.

**Bill empower-
ing genl. Court
to grant Writs
of Partition &c.
read a 3d
Time—**
 and The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for empowering the general Court of Pleas to grant Writs of Partition of Land and Tenements held in Coparcenary joint Tenancy and Tenancy in Common in this Province and appointing the Method of Proceeding therein was read a third Time.

**Passed with
Amendmts.** And the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

**Bill sent to
Coms. House.** **ORDERED** That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

**Bill to prevent
fraudulent
Mortgages &c.
read a third
Time—**
 and The Ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances, for enabling Feme Coverts to pass away their Estates, and for making valid all Deeds Conveyances and Acknowledgements heretofore made by Feme Coverts or others in Respect to any Defect in the Form and Manner of making thereof was read a third Time.

Passed And the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons
~~Bill sent to the~~ House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and
~~Coms. House—~~ desire their Concurrence thereto.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for exempting the Inhabitants of the Town of Sunbury from working on public Roads And for clearing and keeping clean the Bay Streets and Alleys of the said Town was read a Second Time.

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed,

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House on the first Day of August next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
 Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 1^o Februarii 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
 Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 2^o Februarii 1763^o

Two Messages were sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words, viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 2^d Feb^r 1763M^r Speaker

A Message to
Coms. House
agreeing to
Conference on
the Amendmts.
to Work house
Bill—

In Answer to your Message dated 13th December 1762 desiring a Conference on the Amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled an Act for regulating a Work House for the Custody and Punishment of Negroes; This House doth agree thereto and hath appointed a Committee accordingly to meet in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

Committee

Grey Elliott, William Clifton and Noble Jones Esq^rUpper House of Assembly 2^d Feb^r 1763M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
desiring a Con-
ference on
Amendmts.
to Bill for hold-
ing special
Courts &c.—

This House having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act for holding special or extraordinary Courts of Common Pleas for the Trial of Causes arising between Merchants Ship-masters Supercargoes and other transient Persons have disagreed thereto; therefore desire your House will appoint a Committee to join a Committee of this House in a Conference on the Subject Matter of the said Amendments in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

Committee

William Clifton Noble Jones and Gray Elliott Esq^r

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 3^o Februarii 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

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Die Veneris 4^o Februarii 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 5^o Februarii 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 7^o Februarii 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 8° Februarii 1763°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 9° Februarii 1763°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 10° Februarii 1763°

Amendmts. to
Bill for pre-
venting Rub-
bish &c. being
thrown into
Rivers &c. re-
ported and
agreed to—

M^r Elliott from a Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent Persons throwing Ballast or Rubbish or falling Trees into the Rivers and navigable Creeks within this Province and keeping clear the Channels of the same; which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Wednesday next.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to revive Act
for preventg.
Persons pur-
chasing Lands
from Indians
&c.—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act to revive an Act passed the sixth Day of December 1759 intituled an Act to amend an Act passed in the third Session of this present general Assembly intituled an Act to prevent

private Persons from purchasing Lands from the Indians and for preventing Persons. trading with them without Licence.

After some Time

The House was resumed and M^r Elliott reported that
Reported with-
out amendmt. the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Ordered to be
ingrossed.

ORDERED That the Bill be ingrossed.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 11^o Februarii 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

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Die Sabbati 12^o Februarii 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 14° Februarii 1763°

Alterations
made in Com-
mitt: in
Amendmts. to
Work house Bill
reported and
agreed to—

M^r Elliott from the Committee appointed to confer with a Committee of the Commons House on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled an Act for regulating a Work house for the Custody and Punishment of Negroes; Reported the Alterations agreed to in the Amendments at the said Conference: Which Alterations being read twice were agreed to by the House.

Alterations
made in Com-
mittee in
Amendmts. to
Bill for holding
special Courts
&c. reported
and agreed to—

M^r Clifton from the Committee appointed to confer with a Committee of the Commons House on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by the Commons House to the Bill intituled an Act for holding special or extraordinary Courts of Common Pleas for the Trial of Causes arising between Merchants Ship-masters Supercargoes and other transient Persons; Reported the Alterations agreed to in the Amendments at the said Conference: Which Alterations being read twice were agreed to by the House.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 15° Februarii 1763°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 16^o Februarii 1763^o

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Noble Wimberly Jones in the following Words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 14th Feb^r 1763

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeing to Al-
terations in the
Amendmts. of
Bill for holding
special Courts
&c.

This House having taken into Consideration the Report of the Committee appointed to confer with a Committee of your House upon the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled an Act for holding special or extraordinary Courts of Common Pleas for the Trial of Causes arising between Merchants Ship-masters Supercargoes and other transient Persons; This House doth agree to the Alterations made in the Amendments at the said Conference.

Also agreeing
to Alterations
made in the
Amendmts. to
Work House
Bill at the
Conference—

This House have also taken into Consideration the Report of the Committee appointed to confer with a Committee of your House upon the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act for regulating a Work House for the Custody and Punishment of Negroes This House doth agree to the Alterations made in the Amendments at the said Conference.

A Letter fm.
the Agent in
grt. Britain
read—

M^r President laid before the House a Letter to the Committee of Correspondence received from William Knox Esq^r the Agent for this Province in Great Britain dated the 12th October 1762 which was read.

Bill to prevent
Ballast &c. be-
ing thrown into
the Rivers &c.
read a 3d
Time—

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent Persons throwing Ballast or Rubbish or falling Trees into the Rivers and navigable Creeks

and within this Province, and keeping clear the Channels of the same; was read a Third Time.

Passed with
Amendmts.

And the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Bill sent to the
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Bill to revive
an Act to pre-
vent Psons
trading with
Indians &c.
read a third
Time—

and

The Ingrossed Bill intituled an Act to revive an Act passed the sixth Day of December 1759 intituled an Act to amend an Act passed in the third Session of this present general Assembly intituled an Act to prevent private Persons from purchasing Lands from the Indians and for preventing Persons trading with them without Licence, was read a third Time.

Passed with
Amendments

And the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Bill sent to the
Coms. House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and desire their Concurrence thereto.

His Excellency the Governour having communicated to this House a Letter to him from the Right Honourable the Earl of Egremont one of his Majesty's principal Secretaries of State acquainting his Excellency of the Queen's safe Delivery of a Prince; And having proposed that a dutiful and loyal Address be drawn up and transmitted to his Majesty from the Governour Council and Assembly of this Province to express their Joy on the happy Event.

An Address to his Majesty on the Birth of a Prince resolved on—

RESOLVED, Nemine dissentiente, That this House will join with his Excellency the Governour in a dutiful and loyal Address to be presented to his Majesty expressive of their Joy on this interesting and important Event.

Message to Coms. Ho: on the said Resolution—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery acquainting them with the said Resolution, and desiring their Concurrence therein, and that they will appoint a Committee of their House to join a Committee of this House to prepare an Address accordingly.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 17^o Februarii 1763^o

Message fm. Coms. House agreeing to Bill to prevent fraudulent Mortgages &c. wth. Amendments—

A Message from the Commons House by Mr M^r Keithen; that the Commons House have agreed to the Bill intituled an Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances, for enabling Feme Coverts to pass away their Estates and for making valid all Deeds Conveyances and Acknowledgements heretofore made by Feme Coverts or others in Respect to any Defect in the Form and Manner of making thereof with several Amendments to which Amendments they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House.

Bill fm. Coms. Ho: to amend Act to prevent building wooden Chimneys in Savh. &c.

Also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to amend an Act to prevent the building Wooden Chimneys in the Town of Savannah, the Repair of those already built and to provide against Accidents of Fire to which they desire the Concurrence of

Read the first
Time—

this honourable House And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho : for buildg.
a Prison in
Augusta—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r McGillivray; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for building a public Prison or Goal in the Town of Augusta in the Parish of S^t Paul in the Province of Georgia to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House: and the same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first
Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on the fourth Day of March next.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the master in Chancery in the following Words, viz^t,

Upper House of Assembly 17th Feb^r 1763.

M^r Speaker.

Message to
Coms. House
disagreeing to
Amendmts. in
Bill to prevent
fraudulent
Mortgages
&c.—

This House having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances, for enabling Feme Coverts to pass away their Estates and for making valid all Deeds Conveyances and Acknowledgements heretofore made by Feme Coverts or others in Respect to any Defect in the Form and Manner of making thereof; hath disagreed thereto And therefore desire a Conference on the Subject Matter of the said Amendments in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber to Morrow Morning at Eleven o'Clock.

and desiring a
Conference.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

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Die Veneris 18^o Februarii 1763^o

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Noble Wimberly Jones in the following Words, viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly 16th Feb^{ry} 1763.

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
appointing a
Committee to
prepare a joint
Address to his
Majesty on the
Birth of a
Prince—

In Answer to your Message acquainting this House of his Excellency the Governour's having communicated to your House a Letter from the right honourable the Earl of Egremont one of his Majesty's principal Secretaries of State acquainting his Excellency of the Queen's safe Delivery of a Prince and having proposed that a dutiful and loyal Address be drawn up and transmitted to his Majesty from the Governour Council and Assembly of this Province to express their Joy on the happy Event: And of your House having come to a Resolution to join with his Excellency the Governour in a dutiful and loyal Address to be presented to his Majesty expressive of your Joy on that interesting and important Event; and desiring the Concurrence of this House therein and that this House will appoint a Committee to join a Committee of your House in preparing an address accordingly; This House doth concur with your House in the said Resolution and hath appointed a Committee to join a Committee of your House in Preparing the said Address.

The Committee are James DeVeaux, John Graham, Alex^r Wyly, Henry Yonge and Lachlan M^r ^(alc) M^cGillivray Esq^r

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Mc-

Bill fm. Coma.
House to im-
power Survey-
ers to lay out
anor. public
Road in St.
George's Par-
ish—

Keithen; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to empower the Several Surveyers hereafter named to lay out another public Road in S^t George's Parish for the Inhabitants contiguous to the River Savannah and for appointing additional Surveyers for the public Road already established by Law, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House: And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first
Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on the fourth Day of March next.

Also a Message from the Commons House by the said M^r M^cKeithen in the following Words, viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly 17th Feb^r 1763.

Honourable Gentlemen,

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeing to
Conference on
the Amendmts.
made to Bill to
prevent fraud-
ulent Mort-
gages &c.—

In Answer to your Message this Day desiring a Conference on the Amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled an Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances, for enabling Feme Coverts to pass away their Estates and for making valid all Deeds Conveyances and Acknowledgements heretofore made by Feme Coverts or others in Respect of any Defect in the Form and Manner of making thereof; This House doth agree thereto and hath appointed a Committee of this House to join a Committee of your House in a Conference on the Subject Matter of the said Amendments.

The Committee are M^r Ottolenghe, M^r Wood, M^r Ewen,
M^r Yonge M^r Noble Wimberly Jones.

Bill to prevent
Wooden Chim-
neys in Savh.
read a second
Time and com-
mitted—

The Ingrossed Bill, from the Commons House Intituled an Act to amend an Act to prevent the building Wooden Chimneys in the Town of Savannah the Repair of those already built and to provide against Accidents of Fire was read a second Time.

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And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed,

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on the fourth Day of March next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

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Die Sabbati 19^o Februarii 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 21^o Februarii 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 22^o Februarii 1763^o

M^r Clifton from the Committee appointed to confer

Report fm.
Committee of
Conference on
Amendmts. to
Bill to prevent
fraudulent
Mortgages &c.
that Coms. Ho
adhere to the
Amendmts.—

with a Committee of the Commons House on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by that House to the Bill intituled an Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances, for enabling Feme Coverts to pass away their Estates and for making valid all Deeds Conveyances and Acknowledgements heretofore made by Feme Coverts or others in Respect to any Defect in the Form and Manner of making thereof; reported that they had attended the Conference and were acquainted by the Committee from the Commons House that the Commons House adhered to the Amendments made by them to the said Bill.

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

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Die Mercurii 23^o Februarii 1763^o.

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 24^o Februarii 1763^o.

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 25° Februarii 1763°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 26° Februarii 1763°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 28° Februarii 1763°.

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 1° Martii 1763°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 2^o Martii 1763^o.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r James De Veaux in the following Words, viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly 2^d March 1763.

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
desiring a free
Conference on
Amendmts. to
Bill to prevent
fraudulent
Mortgages
&c.—

The Committee of this House appointed to confer with a Committee of your House upon the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled an Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances, for enabling Feme Coverts to pass away their Estates and for making valid all Deeds Conveyances and Acknowledgements heretofore made by Feme Coverts or others in Respect of any Defect in the Form and Manner of making thereof; having reported that at the Conference they adhered to the said Amendments and that the Committee of your House disagreed thereto This House therefore desires your House will please to join this House in a free Conference upon the Subject Matter of the said Amendments.

Message fm.
Coms. House
desiring the
Concurrence of
this Ho: in sundry
Resolut:
touching In-
structions to
Agent—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r James Read; that the Commons House have come to the following Resolutions touching Instructions to the honourable William Knox Esq^r Agent for soliciting the Affairs of this Province in great Britain, viz^t,

RESOLVED That it be recommended to the Agent to use his utmost Endeavours that his Excellency the Governour of this Province may be empowered and enabled to purchase such Lands of the Indians as are indispensibly necessary for the immediate Improvement of the Province which they have hitherto opposed our settling.

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RESOLVED That it be recommended to the Agent to continue his Sollicitation for obtaining necessary war-like Stores, and the Continuance of his Majesty's two Troops of Rangers now on Duty in this Province.

RESOLVED That it be recommended to the Agent to solicit the Extention of the Bounds of this Province to include S^t Augustine, if ceded to great Britain on the Conclusion of a Peace.

RESOLVED That it be recommended to the Agent to solicit a Continuance of the Bounties on Indigo Silk and Hemp.

To which Resolutions they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House.

RESOLVED That this House doth concur with the Commons House in the foregoing Resolutions.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words, viz^t,

Upper House of Assembly 2^d March 1763

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
agreeing to free
Conference on
Amendmts. to
Bill to prevent
fraudulent
Mortgages
&c.—

In Answer to your Message of this Day this House doth agree to a free Conference on the Subject Matter of the last Conference on the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances for enabling Feme Coverts to pass away their Estates and for making valid all Deeds Conveyances and Acknowledgements heretofore made by Feme Coverts or others in Respect of any Defect in the Form and Manner of making thereof And appoint it to be in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber Immediately.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 3^o Martii 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

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Die Veneris 4^o Martii 1763^o.

Bill for building a Prison in Augusta read a second Time—

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for building a public Prison or Goal in the Town of Augusta in the Parish of S^t Paul in the Province of Georgia was read a second Time.

and

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed,

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Committed for 1st Augt.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill on the first Day of August next.

Bill for laying out another public Road in St. George's Parish read a second Time—

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the several Surveyers hereafter named to lay out another public Road in S^t George's Parish for the Inhabitants contiguous to the River Savannah and for appointing additional Surveyers for the public Road already established by Law was read a second Time.

and

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed,

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Committed for
1st Augt. ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee
upon the said Bill on the first Day of August next.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to prevent
building Wood-
en Chimneys
in Savh. The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put
into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Com-
mons House intituled an Act to amend an Act to prevent
the Building Wooden Chimneys in the Town of Savan-
nah the Repair of those already built and to provide
against Accidents of Fire.

After some Time

Bill amended. The House was resumed and M^r Clifton reported that
the Committee had gone through the Bill and made an
Amendment thereunto which he was directed to report
when the honourable House will please to receive the
same.

ORDERED That the Report be received on Tuesday
next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 5^o Martii 1763^o.

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 7^o Martii 1763^o.

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 8^o Martii 1763^o.

Report fm.
Managers at
free Confer-
ence on the
Amendmts.
made to Bill to
prevent fraud-
ulent Mort-
gages &c.—

M^r Clifton from the Managers at the free Conference with the Commons House on the Amendments made by that House to the Bill intituled an Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances for enabling Feme Coverts to pass away their Estates and for making valid all Deeds Conveyances and Acknowledgements heretofore made by Feme Coverts or others in Respect to any Defect in the Form and Manner of making thereof reported that the Commons House had receded from some of their Amendments and also reported the Alterations agreed on at the said Conference to other Amendments made to the said Bill: Which Alterations being read twice were agreed to by the House.

Agreed to—

Title of Bill
altered.

RESOLVED That the Title of the Bill be an Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances and for making valid all Deeds and Conveyances heretofore made in Respect of any Defect in the Form and Manner of making thereof.

Two Messages were sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 8th March 1763

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. Ho: con-
curr. in Reso-
lutions relative
to the Agent in
grt. Britain—

In Answer to your Message dated the second Instant containing the Resolutions your House had come to relative to Instructions to the honourable William Knox Esq^r Agent for solliciting the Affairs of this Province in great Britain This House doth concur with your House in the said Resolutions.

Upper House of Assembly 8th March 1763

M^r Speaker

Message to
Comm. Ho:
agreeing to the
Alterations
made in the
Amendmts. of
Bill to prevent
fraudulent
Mortgages &c.
at the free
Conference—

Upon Report from the Managers at the free Conference on the Amendments to the Bill for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances for enabling Feme Coverts to pass away their Estates and for making valid all Deeds Conveyances and Acknowledgements heretofore made by Feme Coverts and others in Respect to any Defect in the Form and Manner of making thereof This House doth agree to the Alterations made in the Amendments of the said Bill at the said free Conference.

Amendmts.
made in Bill to
prevent build-
ing Wooden
Chimneys &c.
reported

and

Agreed to—

M^r Clifton from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendment made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act to prevent the building Wooden Chimneys in the Town of Savannah the Repair of those already built and to provide against Accidents of Fire; which Amendment being read twice was agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Third Time to Morrow.

The joint
Address to his
Majesty on the
birth of a
Prince reported
and agreed to—

M^r Martin from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of the Commons House in preparing a dutiful and loyal Address to be transmitted and presented to his Majesty on the Birth of a Prince, reported that the joint Committee had prepared an Address accordingly which having been laid before his Excellency the Governour he had been pleased after making some Alterations to approve thereof And M^r Martin read the Address in his Place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table where the same was read and agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the said Address be ingrossed.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 9^o Martii 1763^o.

Bill to prevent Wooden Chimneys in Savannah read a third Time—
 The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled an Act to amend an Act to prevent the building Wooden Chimneys in the Town of Savannah the Repair of those already built and to provide against Accidents of Fire was read a third Time.

Passed with an Amendment And the Question was put “Whether this Bill with the Amendment shall pass?

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Bill sent to Coms. House. ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendment made by this House thereto.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Henry Yonge in the following Words, viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly 9th March 1763.

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm. Coms. House agreeing to the Address to his Majesty— Upon Report of the Committee appointed to join a Committee of your House in preparing a congratulatory Address to his Majesty on an Heir being born to the Crown This doth agree with their Committee to the said Address.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t,

Upper House of Assembly 9th March 1763

M^r Speaker

Upon Report from the Committee appointed to join

Message to
Coms. House
agreeing to
said Address—

a Committee of your House in preparing a Congratulatory Address to his Majesty on an Heir being born to the Crown This House doth agree to the Address so prepared.

Bill fm. Coms.
House for
building a
Court House in
St. George's
Parish—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r McKeithen; That the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for building a Court House in the Parish of S^t George, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House And the same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first
Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on the first Day of August next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 10^o Martii 1763^o

Two Messages from the Commons House by M^r McKeithen in the following Words, viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly 9th March 1763.

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House,
agreeing to
Amendmt. in
Bill to prevent
Wooden Chim-
neys in Savan-
nah—

This House having taken into Consideration the Amendment made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act to amend an Act to prevent the building Wooden Chimneys in the Town of Savannah the Repair of those already built and to provide against Accidents of Fire doth agree thereto.

Commons House of Assembly 9th March 1763.

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeing to al-
terations made
in Amendmts.
of Bill to pre-
vent fraudu-
lent Mortgages
&c. at the free
Conference—

Upon Report from the Managers at the free Conference on the Amendments to the Bill for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances, for enabling Feme Coverts to pass away their Estates and for making valid all Deeds Conveyances and Acknowledgements heretofore made by Feme Coverts and others in Respect to any Defect in the Form and Manner of making thereof This House doth agree to the Alterations made in the Amendments of the said Bill at the said free Conference.

The ingrossed Address to his Majesty on the Birth of a Prince being read the same was signed by his Excellency the Governour M^r President and M^r Speaker and ordered to be entred in the Journals, viz^t,

To the King's most Excellent Majesty

Most gracious Sovereign,

Address to his
Majesty

The Governour Council and Assembly of your Majesty's Province of Georgia, in this Distant Part of your Dominions, take the earliest Opportunity of presenting to your Majesty their most sincere and hearty Congratulations on the joyful important and interesting Event of an Heir being born to the Crown and Dignities of your Realms; added to the Blessings of a safe and honourable Peace, the Result of an indispensable and just War against your Majesty's Enemies which, through the divine Favour, has been beyond Compare successful and glorious; such as resounds and will perpetuate the Praise of your Majesty's great Name, the Wisdom of your Government, the vigorous Execution of your Commands by your Majesty's intrepid and gallant Officers, both by Sea and Land, and the bravery of those undaunted Men acting under them.

That the Almighty may be pleased, during a long Life, to bestow every private and public Felicity on your Majesty and your Royal Son; and that the young Prince may live to be a Blessing to his Royal Father, inheriting his Wisdom and Virtues; and, in future Time, may, as he is now, be justly revered by his Subjects; transmitting to the latest Posterity his illustrious Example and the Appellation of the best of Sovereigns; Swaying the Scepter amidst the Acclamations of a most grateful free and Happy People, are the truly cordial Wishes, and zealous Hopes, of your Majesty's very dutiful, loyal and affectionate Subjects.

Council Chamber

9th March 1763

Bill presented
to amend and
continue the
Act for making
Lumber

Reed. & read
1st Time

M^r Clifton presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act to amend and continue an Act intituled an Act to prevent frauds in the making of Lumber And the same was received and read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a second Time—

And read a 2d
Time and com-
mitted—

And the Bill was accordingly read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed,

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on the twenty fourth Instant.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 11^o Martii 1763^o.

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 12^o Martii 1763^o.

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 14^o Martii 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 15^o Martii 1763^o.

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 16^o Martii 1763^o

Bill fm. Coms.
House to amend
the Road Act—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r M^c-Keithen; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to amend an Act for explaining and amending an Act to empower the several Surveyers therein named to lay out public Roads in the Province of Georgia so far as the said Act relates to the Districts of Midway Darian and great Ogechee and for appointing additional Surveyers for S^t Andrews Parish: And the same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time.

Read the first Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Second Time on the first Day of August next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 17^o Martii 1763^o.

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 18^o Martii 1763^o.

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 19° Martii 1763°.

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 21° Martii 1763°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 22° Martii 1763°.

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 23° Martii 1763°.

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 24^o Martii 1763^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put
 House in Com- into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act to amend
 mittee on Bill to amend & continue Act
 to amend & continue Act and continue an Act intituled an Act to prevent Frauds
 for making Lumber— in the making of Lumber;

After some Time

The House was resumed and M^r Clifton reported that
 Reported with- the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he
 out Amendmt. was directed to report the same to the House without
 any Amendment And he delivered the Bill in at the
 Table.

Bill ordered to
 be Ingrossed—

ORDERED That the Bill be ingrossed.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
 Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 25^o Martii 1763^o

The Ingrossed Bill intituled an Act to amend and con-
 Bill to amend and continue Act for making
 Act for making Lumber read a
 Lumber read a third Time & passed—
 tinue an Act intituled an Act to prevent Frauds in the
 making of Lumber was read a Third Time.

And the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall
 Pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Bill sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and desire their Concurrence thereto.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r James Read in the following Words, viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly 25th March 1763

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
desiring a Com-
mittee to pre-
pare Instruc-
tions to the
Agent touching
the Lands to
the South of
the Alatomaha.

This House having been informed that the Governour of South Carolina hath lately issued Warrants for surveying divers large Tracts of Land on the South Side of the River Alatomaha, and being of Opinion that the granting those Lands by the Governour of South Carolina will create Disputes of pernicious Tendency between this Province and the Province of South Carolina, and not only prove injurious to, but also retard the Settlement of, this Province, and the Frontier Countrey to the Southward thereof, if ceded to the King of great Britain by the King of Spain upon a Peace: This House therefore desires your House will please to appoint a Committee of your House to join a Committee of this House in preparing Instructions to the Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain, to use his utmost Endeavours and most strenuous Efforts to put a Stop to a Proceeding productive of the most fatal Consequences to this Province And if your Honours please to join therein this House desires you'l appoint your Number Time and Place.

The Committee of this 'House are, James Read, Alex^r
M^cKeithen Henry Yonge, Noble Wimberly Jones
& Joseph Gibbons Esq^{rs}

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words, viz^t,

Upper House of Assembly 25th March 1763.

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
appointing a
Committee—

In Answer to your Message desiring that this House will appoint a Committee to join a Committee of your House in preparing Instructions to the Agent soliciting the Affairs of this Province in great Britain to use his utmost Endeavours and most strenuous Efforts to put a Stop to the Proceeding of the Governour of South Carolina in issuing Warrants for surveying Lands on the south Side of the River Alatomaha This House doth agree thereto and hath appointed a Committee accordingly to meet in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber at five o'Clock this Afternoon,

Committee. Noble Jones, Francis Harris, William Clifton, and Clement Martin Esquires.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 26^o Martii 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 28^o Martii 1763^o

M^r Clifton from the Committee appointed to join a

Report fm.
Committee ap-
pointed to pre-
pare Instruc-
tions to Agent
&c.--

Committee of the Commons House in preparing Instructions to the Agent soliciting the Affairs of this Province in great Britain to use his utmost Endeavours and most strenuous Efforts to put a Stop to the Proceeding of the Governour of South Carolina in issuing Warrants for surveying Lands on the South Side of the River Alatomaha; Reported that the joint Committee had come to sundry Resolutions which he was directed to report to the House and he read the same in his Place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table where the said Resolutions were read twice and agreed to by the House and are as follows, viz^t,

Agreed to.

Resolutions
come to be the
(sic)
said Commit-
tee--

RESOLVED That the Committee of Correspondence be directed to write without Loss of Time to the Agent acquainting him that it is generally and confidently reported in South Carolina, which Report is strengthened by a Letter from Charles Town to a Gentleman here, that the Governour and Council of that Province have come to a Resolution to grant the Lands on the South Side of the River Alatomaha notwithstanding it is expected they either are or soon will be annexed to this Province.

RESOLVED That the Agent be directed by the said Committee (in case this Report should be confirmed of which they are required to take the most early Opportunity to acquaint him) to use his utmost Endeavours and most strenuous Efforts to put a Stop to a Proceeding productive of the most fatal Consequences to the present and future Prosperity of this Province; and if necessary that he do retain his Majesty's Attorney and Solicitor general and such other Council as he may judge proper to enforce his Sollicitations relative to this Matter as the Case may require; and in the mean Time 'till such authentic Proofs can be obtained that the said Com-

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mittee do apprise the Agent thereof that he may be prepared and take such previous Steps as he may think Expedient.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 29° Martii 1763°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 30° Martii 1763°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 31° Martii 1763°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 1^o Aprilis 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 2^o Aprilis 1763^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 4^o Aprilis 1763^o

Tax Bill brot.
fm. Coms. Ho:

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Noble Wimberly Jones; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand nine hundred and thirty four Pounds nine Shillings for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year one thousand seven hundred and sixty three to be raised at certain Rates as therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears; to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House and the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time.

Read the first
Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to
Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 5^o Aprilis 1763^o

Tax Bill read a
second Time
and committed—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand nine hundred and thirty four Pounds nine Shillings for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year one thousand seven hundred and sixty three to be raised at certain Rates as therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Ar-rears; was read a Second Time.

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed,

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 6^o Aprilis 1763^o

House in Com-
mittee on the
Tax Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of one thousand nine hundred and thirty four Pounds nine Shillings for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty three to be raised at certain Rates as

therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears;

After some Time

The House was resumed, and M^r Clifton reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Third Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 7^o Aprilis 1763^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled and Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of one thousand nine hundred and thirty four Pounds nine Shillings for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty three to be raised at certain Rates as therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears; was read a third Time.

Passed And the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Die Jovis post Merediem 7° Aprilis 1763°

His Excellency the Governour came to this House and Mr Speaker with the Commons House attending his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bills, vizt,

His Excellency the Govr. gave his Assent to the following Bills vizt.

Work House Act—

An Act for regulating a Work House for the Custody and Punishment of Negroes,

Act to empower the genl. Court to grant Writs of Partition &c.

An Act for empowering the general Court of Pleas to grant Writs of Partition of Lands and Tenements held in Coparcenary, Joint Tenancy and Tenancy in Common in this Province, and appointing the Method of Proceeding therein.

Act to prevent contagious Distempers &c.—

An Act to prevent the bringing into and spreading of contagious Distempers in this Province and to oblige Vessels going out of any Port within the same first to produce for that Purpose a Passport from the Governour or Commander in chief for the time being and to prevent the Harboursing of sick Sailors and others.

Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages &c.—

An Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances and for making valid all Deeds and Conveyances heretofore made in Respect to any Defect in the Form or Manner of making thereof.

An Act for amending the Parish Act—

An Act for amending an Act for constituting and dividing the several Districts and Divisions of this Province into Parishes and for establishing religious Worship therein according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England And also for empowering the Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the respective Parishes to assess Rates for the Repair of Churches the Relief of the Poor and other Parochial Services and for enlarging the public burial Ground at Savannah and inclosing the same.

Act to prevent
Damages by
stopping of
Water—

An Act to prevent Damages which may arise from Dams or Banks for reserving or stopping Water.

Act to prevent
Rubbish &c.
being thrown
into Rivers
&c.—

An Act to prevent Persons throwing Ballast or Rubbish or falling Trees into the Rivers or navigable Creeks within this Province and for keeping clear the Channels of the same.

Act for contin-
uing an Act for
regulate.
Assize of
Bread—

An Act for continuing and amending an Act of the general Assembly of this Province for regulating the Assize of Bread.

Act for laying
out Ground for
building a
Church &c.

An Act to empower the Commissioners appointed in and by an Act of the general Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for repairing of Christ Church in Savannah to lay out a Spot of Ground for erecting a Parish Church thereon and to remove the present Market and to lay out a Spot of Ground for re-erecting the same.

Act to amend
Act to prevent
building wood-
en Chimneys
&c.

An Act to amend an Act to prevent the building of Wooden Chimneys in the Town of Savannah the Repair of these already built and to provide against Accidents of Fire.

Act for holding
special Courts
of Pleas—

An Act for holding special or extraordinary Courts of Common Pleas for the Trial of Causes arising between Merchants Dealers and others, and Ship-masters, Super cargoes and other transient Persons.

Ordinance ap-
pointing Wm.
Knox Esqr.
Agent—

An Ordinance appointing the Honourable William Knox Esqr Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain.

Tax Act.

An Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand nine hundred and thirty four Pounds nine Shillings for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year one thousand seven hundred

and sixty three to be raised at certain Rates as therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Ar-rears.

After which his Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses as follows viz^t

Gentlemen of the Council,

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Commons House of Assembly,

His Excellency's Speech to both Houses—

I return you thanks for preserving that Degree of Unanimity and Temper which has subsisted during this very long Session; such Conduct, Gentlemen, you will generally find to answer the best Purposes for the good of the Community.

But I hope, at our next Meeting, that Business will have quicker Dispatch, and the Tax Bill be passed earlier.

I am certain the one will be more convenient to your Selves and think the othe^(sic) other will be so to your Constituents in general.

After which his Excellency spake as follows

Gentlemen

Genl. Assembly prorogued to 5th July 1763.

It is my Pleasure that this general Assembly be prorogued to Tuesday the fifth Day of July next to be then here held for the Dispatch of Business and the same is accordingly prorogued to Tuesday the fifth Day of July next.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Copy of the Journals of the upper House met in general
Assembly on Monday 21st November 1763.

CHA^s WATSON C. G. A.

GEORGIA

Secretary's Office.

A true Copy taken from the Original
Certified by.

JOHN TALLEY D^r Sec^r

In the Gov^r's Letter
of 26 May 1764.

Great Seal taken off by S. B.

GEORGIA

Journal of the upper House met in general Assembly
on Monday the Twenty first Day of November 1763.
Being the Third Session of the fourth general Assembly
in and for the Province of Georgia appointed to meet
at Savannah.

Die Lunæ 21^o Novembris 1763.

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 22° Novembris 1763°

His Excellency the Governour came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber immediately And M^r Speaker with the Commons House attending his Excellency made a Speech to both Houses and then Left the House

M^r President reported that his Excellency the Governour had made a Speech to both Houses, of which M^r President said, to prevent Mistakes, he had Obtained a Copy which was read to the House and is as follows viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Commons House of Assembly

His Excellency's
Speech to both
Houses of
Assembly

The Time of our Meeting in general Assembly has been considerably delayed by my being obliged (in obedience to his Majesty's Royal Commands) to attend the Congress with the Southern Governours Captain Stuart the Superintendant and the different Tribes of Indians at Augusta in order to Cultivate and promote a more firm and permanent Peace and Friendship between his Majesty and the Southern Nations of Indians And I have the pleasure to acquaint you that as well as the general Benefit resulting therefrom this Province has Acquired considerable Advantage particularly in the Extention of our Western Boundary by a voluntary Cession of Lands made to his Majesty by the Creek Indians; And I think the Basis is laid for establishing Matters between Us on a much more solid Footing than they have ever heretofore been. And for your further Satisfaction I shall

order a Copy of the Treaty settled and agreed upon at the late Congress to be laid before you.

Gentlemen

This being our first Meeting in general Assembly since the Conclusion of the Peace with France and Spain give me Leave (though late) to congratulate you on the happy Event, so glorious to his Majesty and the Arms of great Britain and so particularly beneficial to these Southern Provinces.

We are happy, Gentlemen in the Consequences of this Peace also in the great Probability and Prospect of a Continuance of Peace and Friendship with the several Nations of Indians, for even the Creeks whose fidelity was most to be suspected, have given the strongest Marks and Assurances of their pacific and good Intentions; and we are Still more happy in a general Harmony and Confidence amongst our Selves.

Therefore let us consider what Measures are in our Power which may best promote the general Welfare and Prosperity of the Province in which I shall be always ready to give my hearty Concurrence. And would recommend it to you to consider of and frame a Bill for the Punishment of Vagabonds and other idle and disorderly Persons; Also a Bill to prevent Lotteries and Gaming.

Gentlemen of the Commons House of Assembly.

I have no Demands to make nor any particular Article of Expence to desire you to provide for. I shall direct an Account of the Produce of the last years Tax to be laid before you, and the usual Estimate for the Service of the Current Year.

Gentlemen

The Season being so far advanced I hope will be an

Inducement to give dispatch, and I have no kind of Doubt but the great Unanimity which has hitherto subsisted will still continue.

JA: WRIGHT

Savannah in Georgia Council Chamber

November the 22^d 1763

RESOLVED, Nemine dissentiente, That an Address of Thanks be drawn up and presented to his Excellency the Governour for his affectionate Speech to both Houses.

ORDERED That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address of Thanks to his Excellency the Governour upon the said Resolution, and that M^r Powell M^r Martin M^r Eliott and M^r Clifton be the Committee.

ORDERED That his Excellency the Governour's Speech be referred to the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 23^o Novembris 1763^o

M^r Powell from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address to his Excellency the Governour reported that the Committee had prepared an Address accordingly, which they had directed him to report when the honourable House will be pleased to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now received.

And M^r Powell read the same in his place and after-

wards delivered it in at the Table where the Address was read and agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Address be ingrossed.

The ingrossed Address to his Excellency the Governour being read

ORDERED That the same be entred in the Journals

To his Excellency James Wright Esquire Captain General and Governour in Chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia.

The Humble Address of the upper House of Assembly.

May it please your Excellency

Address of the
upper House to
his Excellency the
Governour

We his Majesty's most Dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council of Georgia in general Assembly met beg Leave to return your Excellency Thanks for your affectionate Speech to both Houses.

It is with great Pleasure we learn from your Excellency that the Consequences of the late Congress promise Us a permanent Peace and Friendship with the Savage Nations that surround us And to be of general Benefit as well as of particular Moment to this Province: in this Light we look upon the Cession made by Creeks of the Lands heretofore in Dispute, an Event which Although essentially necessary to the Interest and Tranquility of the Colony, yet from many concurring Circumstances we despaired of being effected: Amidst the Satisfaction such a Desirable Cession must naturally exite in us permit us Sir to express our most unfeigned and gratefull Thanks on that Occasion to your Excellency, to whose unwearied and zealous Endeavours for our Welfare we must justly attribute the Success of this Negotiation.

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The Assurance your Excellency gives that the Treaty shall be laid before Us Yields us much Satisfaction.

We most Sincerely join with your Excellency in our Sentiments of the late Peace the very effectual Benefits derived from it are doubtless inestimable Blessings both to this and the other Southern Provinces: the Prospect of a Continuance of Friendship with the Indians in a particular Manner effects us, and must afford Us great Ease and Happiness.

Our Duty and Inclination will naturally induce us to concur in any Measure that may tend to promote the general Good of the Province: and your Excellency may be assured of our Compliance therewith, in particular with Respect to the two very necessary Bills you have mentioned and that we shall always study to preserve that Unanimity recommended by your Excellency and of which you give Us so candid and worthy an Example.

ORDERED That M^r President do sign the Address.

ORDERED That M^r Martin and M^r Clifton do wait on his Excellency the Governour to know when he will please to be attended by this House with their Address.

M^r Martin reported to the House that his Excellency the Governour having been waited on, pursuant to order to know when he would receive this House with their Address had been pleased to appoint One o'Clock this Afternoon.

And then the House adjourned to attend his Excellency the Governour and present their Address and till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 24° Novembris 1763°

Mr President reported that the House had attended his Excellency the Governour and presented their Address which his Excellency received very kindly and was pleased to give the following Answer viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

His Excellency.
the Governr.
Answer to
Address of the
upper House—

Your very obliging Address merits my most grateful Acknowledgements. I feel the greatest Satisfaction in Your Approbation of my Endeavours for his Majesty's Service and the prosperity of this Province and to promote the one and deserve the other will always be my Ambition.

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 25° Novembris 1763°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 26° Novembris 1763°

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 28° Novembris 1763°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 29° Novembris 1763°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 30° Novembris 1763°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 1° Decembris 1763°

Mr President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this

House: and he delivered it in at the Table where the same was read and it is as follows viz^t

**Adjournment
of upper House** I do hereby adjourn the upper House of Assembly until Tuesday the Sixth Day of this instant And the said House is hereby adjourned accordingly. Savannah 1st December 1763.

To the Honourable the President and
Members of his Majesty's Honourable Council

And the House accordingly adjourned
until Tuesday the Sixth Instant Eleven
O'Clock in the Forenoon.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 6^o Decembris 1763^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 7^o Decembris 1763^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow.
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

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Die Jovis 8° Decembris 1763°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 9° Decembris 1763°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 10° Decembris 1763°

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 12 Decembris 1763°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 13^o Decembris 1763^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 14^o Decembris 1763^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 15 Decembris 1763^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 16^o Decembris 1763^o

M^r President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House and he delivered it in at the Table where the same was read and is as follows viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

Adjournment
of the upper
House—

I do hereby adjourn the Upper House of Assembly until Tuesday the tenth day of January next then to meet for the Dispatch of Business and it is accordingly adjourned.

Given under my hand at Savannah the
Sixteenth Day of December 1763.

JA: WRIGHT

To the honourable the President
and Members of the Upper House

And the House accordingly adjourned
till Tuesday the 10th Jan^{ry} next Eleven
O'Clock in the Forenoon.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 10^o Januarii 1764^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 11^o Januarii 1764^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 12° Januarii 1764°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 13° Januarii 1764°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 14° Januarii 1764°

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 16° Januarii 1764°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 17^o Januarii 1764^o

Bill fm. the
Coms. House
to direct Ex-
ecrs. & Ad-
minrs. &c.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Henry Yonge that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to direct Executors and Administrators in the Manner and Method or returning Inventories and Accounts of their Testator's and Intestate's Estates And for the better settling and explaining the Nature and Duty of their offices and all other Persons who shall or may be intrusted with the Care and Management of Minors and other Estates: to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House: And the same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second time.

Read the first
Time.

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a Second time to Morrow.

Bill fm. Coms.
House to sup-
press Lotteries
&c.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r M^cGillivray that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to suppress Lotteries and prevent other excessive and deceitful Gaming; to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House. And the same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second time.

Read the first
Time.

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 18^o Januarii 1764^o

Bill to direct
Execrs. and
Adminrs. &c.
read a second
Time—

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to direct Executors and Administrators in the Manner and Method of returning Inventories and Accounts of their Testator's and Intestate's Estates And for the better settling and explaining the Nature and Duty of their offices And all other Persons who shall or may be intrusted with the Care and Management of Minors and other Estates; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the said Bill be Committed.

and committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of y^e whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

Lottery Bill
read a second
Time—

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to suppress Lotteries and prevent other excessive and deceitful Gaming was read a Second Time.

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed.

and committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Tuesday the 31st Instant.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 19° Januarii 1764°

House in Committee on Bill to direct Executors. & Administrs. &c.

The House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to direct Executors and Administrators in the Manner and Method of returning Inventories and Accounts of their Testator's and Intestate's Estates And for the better settling and explaining the Nature and duty of their offices: And all other Persons who shall or may be intrusted with the Care and Management of Minors and other Estates.

After some time,

Desire anor. Time may be appointed to sit again—

The House was resumed, and M^r Clifton reported that the Committee had made some Progress in the Bill and desire another Time may be appointed for them to sit again.

ORDERED That this House shall be put into a Committee again to proceed on the said Bill on Thursday next.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 20° Januarii 1764°

The House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 21^o Januarii 1764^o

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 23 Januarii 1764^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 24^o Januarii 1764^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 25^o Januarii 1764^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 26° Januarii 1764°

Bill presented
for further
amending the
Market Act—

Recd. & read
1st Time—

M^r Attorney general presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act for further amending and explaining an Act intituled an Act for better regulating the Market in the Town of Savannah, and the same was received and read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

Bill fm. Coms.
House for Pun-
ishment of
Vagabonds
&c.—

Read the first
Time

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Noble Wimberly Jones: that the Commons house have passed a Bill intituled an Act for the Punishment of Vagabonds and other idle and disorderly Persons: and for erecting Prisons or Places of Security in the several Parishes therein mentioned: And for preventing Trespasses on Lands of the Crown, or Lands reserved for the Indians; And for the more effectual Suppressing and Punishing Persons bartering with the Indians in the Woods: to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House: And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Second Time to Morrow.

House again in
Committee on
Execr. & Ad-
minr. Bill

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee to Consider further of the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to direct Executors and Administrators in the Manner and Method of returning Inventories and Accounts of their Testator's and Intestate's Estates And for the better settling and explaining the Nature and duty of their offices:

And all other Persons who shall or may be intrusted with the Care and Management of Minors and other Estates.

After some Time

Bill gone
through and
amended—

The House was resumed And M^r Clifton reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow' Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 27^o Januarii 1764^o

Amendments
made to Execr.
& Adminr. Bill
reported to the
House—

M^r Clifton from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to direct Executors and Administrators in the Manner and Method of returning Inventories and Accounts of their Testator's and Intestates Estates, And for the better settling and explaining the Nature and duty of their offices And all other Persons who shall or may be intrusted with the Care and Management of Minors and other Estates: which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

Agreed to.

Title of the Bill
altered.

It is resolved That the Title of the Bill be an Act to direct Executors and Administrators in the Manner and Method of returning Inventories and Accounts of their

Testator's and Intestates Estates And for allowing them and all other Persons who shall or may be intrusted with the Care and Management of Minors and other Estates to Charge Commissions thereon.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Third Time on Tuesday next.

Vagabond Bill
read a second
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the Punishment of Vagabonds and Other idle and disorderly Persons and for erecting Prisons or Places of Security in the several Parishes therein mentioned, and for preventing Trespasses on Lands of the Crown or Lands reserved for the Indians: And for the more effectual suppressing and punishing Persons bartering with the Indians in the Woods; was read a second time

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed

and committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Tuesday next.

Bill to amend
the Market Act
read a second
Time—

The Bill intituled an Act for further amending and explaining an Act intituled an Act for better regulating the Market in the Town of Savannah was read a Second Time.

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed.

and committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Wednesday next.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 28^o Januarii 1764^o

The House adjourned till Tuesday next
Monday being a State Holiday.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 31^o Januarii 1764^o

Execr. & Ad-
mr. Bill read a
third Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to direct Executors and Administrators in the Manner and Method of returning Inventories and Accounts of their Testator's and Intestates Estates and for allowing them and all other Persons who shall or may be intrusted with the Care and Management of Minors and other Estates to Charge Commissions thereon: was read a Third Time.

And passed.

And the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Sent to Coms.
House for their
Concurrence to
Amendments—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

House in Com-
mittee on
Lottery Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to suppress Lotteries and prevent other excessive and deceitful Gaming.

After some Time

Bill gone
through and
Amended—

The House was resumed, And M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the Same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow.

House in Com-
mittee on
Vagabond Bill—

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the Punishment of Vagabonds and other idle and disorderly Persons: and for erecting Prisons or Places of Security in the several Parishes therein mentioned, And for preventing Trespasses on Lands of the Crown or Lands reserved for the Indians: And for the more effectual suppressing and punishing Persons bartering with the Indians in the Woods:

After some Time

The House was resumed, And M^r Jones reported that the Committee had made some progress in the Bill and desire another Time may be appointed for them to sit again.

Another Time
appointed to
sit again—

ORDERED That this House shall be put into a Committee again to proceed on the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning ten O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 1^o Februarii 1764^o

Amendments
made to the
Lottery Bill
reported—

And agreed to
by the House.

M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to suppress Lotteries and prevent other excessive and deceitful Gaming; which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Morrow.

House again in
Committee on
Vagabond
Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee to Consider further of the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the Punishment of Vagabonds and other idle and disorderly Persons: and for erecting Prisons or Places of Security in the several Parishes therein mentioned: And for preventing Trespasses on Lands of the Crown or Lands reserved for the Indians: And for the more effectual Suppressing and Punishing Persons bartering with the Indians in the Woods.

After some Time

Bill gone
through and
amended—

The House was resumed, And M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received on Wednesday next.

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to amend the
Market Act—

put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act for further Amending and explaining an Act intituled an Act for better regulating the Market in the Town of Savannah.

After some Time

Bill gone
through and
amended—

The House was resumed, And M^r Clifton reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable house will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the report be received to Morrow.

And the House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 2^o Februarii 1764^o

Amendments
made to Bill to
amend Market
Act reported—

M^r Clifton from the Committee of the Whole House reported the Amendments made to the Bill intituled an Act for further amending and explaining an Act intituled an Act for better regulating the Market in the Town of Savannah: Which Amendments being read twice were

And agreed to. agreed to by the House.

Ordered to be
ingrossed.

ORDERED That the Bill be ingrossed.

Lottery Bill
read a third
Time—

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to Suppress Lotteries and prevent other excessive and deceitful Gaming was read a third Time.

Passed.

And the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Bill sent to
Coms. House
for their Con-
currence in
Amendmts.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Message fm.
Coms. House
that they had
resolved an

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Henry Yonge in the following Words viz^t

(sic)
Address of
Thanks to his
Excellcy. for his
Assiduity to
prevent the
Grants lately
made in Caro-
lina of Lands
to the South of
the River Ala-
tamaha fm.
taking Place—

Honourable Gentlemen,

and

Desire this
House to join
them therein—

This House having come to a Resolution to present an Address of Thanks to his Excellency the Governour for his Assiduity in pursuing every proper Measure in his Power for preventing the pernicious Consequences which would unavoidably ensue to this Province if the Grants of the Governour of South Carolina for the Lands to the South of the River Alatomaha should take place; This House therefore Desire the Concurrence of your Honourable House therein, and that you will please to appoint a Committee of your House to join a Committee of this to prepare the said address

Commons House of Assembly

2^d Feb^ry 1764.

Committee, M^r Joseph Ottolenghe, M^r Joseph Gibbons
& M^r Henry Yonge.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 3° Februarii 1764°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 4° Februarii 1764°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 6° Februarii 1764°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 7° Februarii 1764°

A Message was brought from the Commons House by
M^r Joseph Gibbons in the following Words viz^t

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeing to
Amendmts.
made in Exeers
Bill—

Honourable Gentlemen

This House having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by your house to the Bill intituled an Act to direct Executors and Administrators in the Manner and Method of returning Inventories and Accounts of their Testator's and Intestates Estates and for allowing them and all other Persons who shall or may be intrusted with the Care and Management of Minors and other Estates to charge Commissions thereon, Have agreed to the said Amendments

Also to Amend-
ments made in
Lottery Bill—

This House have also taken into Consideration the Amendments made by your house to the Bill intituled an Act to suppress Lotteries and prevent other excessive and deceitful Gaming: and have agreed to the said Amendments.

Commons House of Assembly 6th Feb^{ry} 1764

Bill fm. Coms.
House to amend
the Road Act—

A Message was also brought from the Commons House by the said M^r Gibbons; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to Amend an Act to empower the several Surveyors therein named to lay Out public Roads in the province of Georgia so far as the said Act relates to the Districts of great Opechee Midway and Darian and for appointing additional Surveyers for S^t Andrews Parish to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House: And the Bill was read the first and ordered to be read a Second Time.

Read the first
Time

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 8^o Februarii 1764^o

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words, viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 8th Feb^{ry} 1764

Mr Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
concurring
with them in
an Address of
Thanks to his
Excellency—

In Answer to your Message of the 2^d Instant this House doth concur with Your House in the Resolution to present an Address of Thanks to his Excellency the Governour for his Assiduity in pursuing every proper Measure in his Power for preventing the pernicious Consequences which would Unavoidably ensue, to this province if the Grants of the Governour of South Carolina for the Lands to the South of the River Alatamaha should take place: And have accordingly appointed a Committee of this House to join a Committee of your House in preparing the said Address.

Committee

The Hon^{ls} { Grey Elliott
James Edw^d Powell } Esq^{rs}
Clement Martin }

Bill to amend
the Road Act
read a Second
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act to empower the several Surveyers therein named to lay Out public Roads in the Province of Georgia so far as the said Act relates to the Districts of great Ogechee Midway and Darian and for appointing additional Surveyers for S^t Andrews Parish was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

And committed ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

Amendments made to the Vagabond Bill reported --

M^r Jones from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the Punishment of Vagabonds and other idle and disorderly Persons: and for erecting Prisons or Places of Security in the several Parishes therein mentioned and for preventing Trespasses on Lands of the Crown or Lands reserved for the Indians: and for the more effectual suppressing and punishing Persons bartering with the Indians in the Woods: Which Amendments being read twice were

And agreed to by the House. agreed to by the house

Title of the Bill altered.

It is resolved That the Title of the Bill be an Act for the Punishment of Vagabonds and other idle and disorderly Persons; and for erecting Prisons or Places of Security in the several Parishes of this Province; and for preventing Trespasses on Lands of the Crown or Lands reserved for the Indians; and for the more effectual suppressing and punishing Persons bartering with the Indians in the Woods.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Third Time to Morrow.

Ordinance from Coms. House appointing Wm. Knox sqr. Agent

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Read that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance reappointing William Knox Esq^r Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Prince ^(sic) in great Britain which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House And the same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time.

Read the first Time

ORDERED That the Ordinance be read a Second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 9° Februarii 1764°

Vagabond Bill
read a Third
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the Punishment of Vagabonds and other idle and disorderly Persons; and for erecting Prisons or Places of Security in the several Parishes therein mentioned; and for preventing Trespasses on Lands of the Crown or Lands reserved for the Indians; And for the more effectual suppressing and punishing Persons bartering with the Indians in the Woods: was read a Third Time.

and

Passed. And the Question was put “Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Sent to Coms.
House for their
Concurrence in
the Amend-
ments—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Ordinance read
2d Time

The ingrossed Ordinance from the Commons House reappointing William Knox Esq^r Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain was read a Second Time.

And it being proposed that the said Ordinance be committed.

and committed. ORDERED That the Ordinance be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance on Monday next.

House in Committee on Bill to amend Road Act— The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee of the whole House on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act to empower the several Surveyers therein named to lay Out public Roads in the Province of Georgia so far as the said Act relates to the Districts of Great Ogechee Midway and Darian and for appointing additional Surveyers for S^t Andrews Parish.

After some Time

Bill gone thro' & amended. The House was resumed. And M^r Clifton reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 10^o Februarii 1764^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 11^o Februarii 1764^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 13^o Februarii 1764^o

Amendmts. to
Bill to amend
the Road Act
reported—
and
Agreed to.

M^r Clifton from the Committee of the Whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act to impower the Several Surveyers therein named to lay out public Roads in the Province of Georgia so far as the said Act relates to the districts of great Ogechee Midway and Darian and for appointing additional Surveyers for S^t Andrews Parish; Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

Title of Bill
altered.

It is resolved That the Title of the Bill be an Act for further amending an Act intituled an Act to impower the several Surveyers therein named to lay out public Roads in the Province of Georgia.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Wednesday next.

Bill to amend
the Market Act
read a third
Time—
and

The ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for further Amending, and explaining an Act intituled an Act for better regulating the Market in the Town of Savannah was read a third Time.

Passed

And the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Sent to Coms.
House for their
Concurrence—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and desire their Concurrence thereto.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Read in the following Words viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeing to
Address pre-
pared by joint
Committee to
be presented
his Excellcy.

This House having taken into Consideration the Report of the Committee appointed to join a Committee of your House to prepare An Address of Thanks to his Excellency the Governour for his Assiduity in pursuing every proper Measure in his Power for preventing the pernicious Consequences which would unavoidably ensue to this Province if the Grants of the Governour of South Carolina for the Lands to the South of the River Alata-maha should take place; This House have agreed to the Report of the said Committee.

Commons House of Assembly

9th February 1764

Also agreeing
to Amendments
made in the
Vagabond
Bill—

A Message was also brought from the Commons House by the said M^r Read that the Commons House have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for the Punishment of Vagabonds and other idle and disorderly Persons and for erecting Prisons or Places of Security in the Several Parishes of this Province: and for preventing Trespasses on Land of the Crown or Lands reserved for the Indians; and for the more effectual suppressing and punishing Persons bartering with the Indians in the Woods.

House in Com-
mittee on Ordi-
nance—

The House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Ordinance from the Commons House reappointing William Knox Esq^r Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain.

After some Time

Gone thro', and
reported with-
out Amend-
ment

The House was resumed, and M^r Clifton reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment; And he delivered the Ordinance in at the Table.

Ordinance read
a third Time
and

ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a third Time.

And the same was accordingly read a third Time.

Passed

And the Question was put "Whether this Ordinance shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Returned to
Coms. House
without
Amendment—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Ordinance and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Address pre-
pared by joint
Committee to
be presented to
his Excellency.
Reported—

and

M^r Elliott from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of the Commons House in preparing an Address of Thanks to his Excellency the Governour for his Assiduity in persuing every proper Measure in his Power for preventing the pernicious Consequences that would Unavoidably ensue to this province if the Grants of the Governour of South Carolina for the Lands to the South of the River Alatamaha should take place; reported that the joint Committee had prepared an Address accordingly. And M^r Elliott read the same in his Place and after-

Agreed to. wards delivered it in at the Table where the Address was read and agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the said Address being ingrossed.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 13th Feb^{ry} 1764

M^r Speaker

A Message to
Coms. House
thereon—

Upon Report from the Committee of this House appointed to join a Committee of your house in preparing an Address of Thanks to his Excellency the Governour for his Assiduity in pursuing every proper Measure in his Power for preventing the pernicious Consequences that would unavoidably ensue to this Province if the Grants of the Governour of South Carolina for the Lands to the South of the River Alatomaha should take place: This House doth agree to the Address so prepared.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 14^o Februarii 1764^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 15^o Februarii 1764^o

M^r President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House, and he delivered the same in at the Table where it was read and is as follows viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
his Excellency.
touching the
late Murders
committed at
long Canes—

I have from Time to Time communicated to you such Information as I have received relative to the Murders Committed by the Creek Indians at the Long Cane's Settlement in South Carolina and Although those Murders were committed out of this Province Yet we don't know what it may lead us into: And in Case the Indians do not make Satisfaction agreeable to the third Article of the Treaty lately made at Augusta, it will undoubtedly become a common Cause and this Province not only involved but in all Probability may feel the first and heaviest Effect of a Rupture with them. I have therefore thought it necessary to send a Message to the Commons House of Assembly on this Subject, a Copy whereof I herewith send You for your Concurrence as far as may be thought proper and lies with you.

JA: WRIGHT

Sav^h in Georgia 15. Feb^r 1764

RESOLVED That this House will readily and chearfully concur with the Commons House in any Provision they may make for the Services recommended by his Excellency in the said Message.

An Address to
his Excellency
thereon—

RESOLVED That an humble Address be presented to his Excellency the Governour acquainting his Excellency with the foregoing Resolution

ORDERED That M^r Jones and M^r Clifton do present the said Address.

Bill to amend
the Road Act
read 3d Time

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act to empower the several Surveyers therein named to lay out public Roads in the Province of Georgia so far as the said Act relates to the Districts of great Ogechee Midway and Darian and for appointing additional Surveyers for S^t Andrews Parish was read a Third Time.

Passed.

And the Question was put “Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Bill sent to
Coms. House
for their Con-
currence in
Amendmts.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Bill presented
to continue Act
to prevent Mas-
ters of Vessels
fm. carrying
off Persons in
Debt—

Recd & read
the first Time

M^r Attorney general presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act for further continuing an Act intituled an Act to prevent Masters of Vessels from carrying off Persons in Debt from this Province; and the same was received and read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time.

ORDERED That that ^(sic) the Bill be now read a second Time.

Bill read a 2d
Time & com-
mitted

And the Bill was accordingly read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed,

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 16^o Februarii 1764^o

House in Com-
mittee on the
said Bill— The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act for further Continuing an Act intituled an Act to prevent Masters of Vessels from carrying off Persons in Debt from this Province.

After some Time

Bill gone thro'.
& reported
without
Amendment— The House was resumed, and M^r Clifton reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Ordered to be
ingrossed.

ORDERED That the Bill be ingrossed.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 17^o Februarii 1764^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 18^o Februarii 1764^o

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 20^o Februarii 1764^o

The Ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for further con-
tinuing an Act intituled an Act to prevent Masters of
Masters of Ves-
sels fm. carry-
ing off Persons
in Debt read a
third Time
Province, was read a third time.

and
Passed And the Question was put Whether this Bill shall
pass.

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons
House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and
Concurrence—
(sic) desire their concurrence thereto.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by
M^r Read in the following Words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 17th Feb^r 1764

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. Ho: that
they had re-
solved to pro-
vide a Sum of
Money for Sub-
sistence of
Militia in Case
of Rupture wth
Indians—

And desire
Concurrence

This House hath come to a Resolution Nem: con: to
provide a Sum not exceeding five hundred Pounds Ster-
ling to enable his Excellency the Governour to make Pro-
vision for the Subsistence of such of the Militia of this
Province as may be thought expedient by his Excellency
to be ordered out and go on actual Service in Case of a
Rupture with the Indians, at Six Pence by the Day for
each Man: to which Resolution this House doth desire
the Concurrence of your House.

Also that Coms.
House had
agreed to
Amendmts.
made in Bill to
amend Road
Act—

A Message was also brought from the Commons House
by the said M^r Read that the Commons House have
agreed to the Amendments made by this House in the
Bill intituled an Act to Amend An Act to empower the
Several Surveyers therein named to lay out public Roads
in the Province of Georgia so far as the said Act relates
to the districts of great Ogechee Midway and Darian and
for appointing additional Surveyers for S^t Andrews
Parish.

And had agreed
to the Bill to
amend Market
Act wth some
Amendmts.

Also that the Commons House have agreed to the Bill
intituled An Act for further amending and explaining an
Act intituled an Act for better regulating the Market in
the Town of Savannah: with some Amendments to
which Amendments they desire the Concurrence of the
Honourable House.

Also that the
Coms. House
had passed a
Bill to enable
the Comissrs.
for repairing
Christ Church
to dispose of
Materials

Also that the Commons House have passed a Bill in-
tituled an Act to enable the Commissioners appointed by
An Act of the general Assembly of this Province intit-
uled an Act for repairing of Christ Church in Savannah
to dispose of such Materials as have Already been pro-

vided for rebuilding the said Church in Savannah and to place out at Interest the Moneys arising by sale thereof together with the Moneys provided by several Acts of Assembly for repairing or rebuilding of the said Church and now in the hands of the Treasurer; to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House: And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time.

Bill read 1st
Time—

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 20th February 1764

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. Ho : in
Answer to their
Resolution of
providing Sub-
sistence for
Militia in Case
&c.—

In Answer to your Message dated the 17th Instant this House doth readily concur with Your House in the Resolution to provide a Sum not exceeding five hundred Pound Sterling to enable his Excellency the Governour to make provision for the Subsistence of such of the Militia of this Province as may be thought expedient by his Excellency to be ordered out and go on actual Service in Case of a Rupture with the Indians at Six pence by the Day for each Man.

Also agreeing
to Amendmts.
to Bill to amend
the Market
Act—

Also a Message was sent to the Commons House agreeing to the Amendments made to the Bill intituled an Act for further amending and explaining an Act intituled an Act for better regulating the Market in the Town of Savannah

And the House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 21^o Februarii 1764^o

Bill to enable
Commissrs. for
Christ Church
to sell Materials
&c. read a 2d
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to enable the Commissioners appointed in and by an Act of the general Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for repairing of Christ Church in Savannah to dispose of such Materials as have already been provided for rebuilding the said Church in Savannah and to place out at Interest the Moneys arising by sale thereof together with the Moneys provided by several Acts of Assembly for repairing or rebuilding of the said Church and now in the hands of the Treasurer: was read a Second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

And committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole house.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

Tax Bill
brought fm.
Commons
House

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r De Veaux That the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of two thousand One hundred and seventeen Pounds thirteen Shillings and three farthings Sterling for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1764 to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned: And for the more effectual collecting of Arrears: And the same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time.

Read first Time

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 22° Februarii 1764°

Message fm.
Coms. Ho:
agreeing to
Bill for contin-
uing an Act to
prevent Mas-
ters of Vessels
from &c.—

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Noble Wimberly Jones: that the Commons House have agreed to the Bill intituled an Act for further continuing an Act intituled an Act to prevent Masters of Vessels from carrying off Persons in debt from this Province, without any Amendment.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to enable Com-
issrs. of Christ
Church to sell
Materials &c.—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to enable the Commissioners appointed in and by an Act of the general Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for repairing of Christ Church in Savannah to dispose of such Materials as have already been provided for rebuilding the said Church in Savannah and to place Out at Interest the Moneys arising by sale thereof together with the Moneys provided by several Acts of Assembly for repairing or rebuilding the said Church and now in the hands of the Treasurer.

After some Time

Bill gone
through with-
out Amend-
ment

The House was resumed: and M^r Clifton reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a Third Time.

Read a Third
Time

And the same was accordingly read a third Time.

and
Passed

And the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass.

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons
And sent to the
Coms. House House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill
 and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the
 same without any Amendment.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
Tax Bill read a
2d Time an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of Two
 thousand One hundred and seventeen Pounds thirteen
 Shillings and three farthings Sterling for the Use and
 Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year
 One thousand seven hundred and sixty four to be raised
and at certain Rates and after the method therein Mentioned
 and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears was read
 a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee
Committed of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be now put into a Com-
 mittee upon the said Bill.

Accordingly the House was adjourned during Pleas-
House in Com-
mittee on the
Tax Bill— ure and put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

After some Time

The House was resumed And M^r Clifton reported that
Bill gone
through and
reported with-
out Amendmt. the Committee had gone through the Bill and he was
 directed to report the same to the House without any
 Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Third Time to
 Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
 Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 23^o Februarii 1764^o

Tax Bill read a third Time—
 The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the sum of Two thousand One hundred and seventeen Pounds thirteen shillings and three farthings Sterling for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1764 to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned And for the more effectual collecting of Arrears: was read a third Time.

Passed And the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to Coms. Ho:
 ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that the House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Bill from Coms. House appointing Commissrs. to rebuild the Court House
 A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Noble Wimberly Jones that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for appointing Commissioners to rebuild the Court House in the Town of Savannah with Jury Rooms and other Conveniencies necessary for the said House and to empower the said Commissioners to dispose of the Materials of the old Court House: And the said Bill was read the first time and ordered to be read a Second Time.

Bill read the 1st Time

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Second Time to Morrow.

Also a Message was brought from the Commons House by the said M^r Jones in the following Words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly February 23^d 1764

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
that they had
resolved to
direct Commit-
tee of Corre-
spondence with
the Agent in
grt. Britain to
acquaint him
of sundry
Matters—

This House having come to a Resolution to direct the Committee of Correspondence with William Knox Esq^r Agent for the affairs of this Province in great Britain to acquaint him with the Present critical Situation of Indians affairs, and to instruct him to renew his Application for Military Stores, and to solicit such other Aid as may be necessary for the Protection and defence of this Province in Case of an Actual Rupture with the Indians; And also to instruct him to make Application to the Society for propagating the Gospel in foreign Parts for a Minister for the Town of Augusta and Parish of S^t Paul in this Province; and likewise to instruct him to inquire into the Nature of Alderman Baker's Claim to a Barony of Land in this Province granted or allotted in Parcells to divers Persons by the late Trustees for establishing the Colony of Georgia, and since by the Crown. And if he shall find the same allowed to make proper Application for Relief from the Crown; desire your House will please to concur with this House therein.

RESOLVED That this House doth concur with the Commons House in the Resolution mentioned in the foregoing Message.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 23^d Feb^r 1764

M^r Speaker

This House doth concur with Your House in the

Answer to the
foregoing Mes-
sage concur-
ring therein—

Resolution to direct the Committee of Correspondence with William Knox Esq^r for the Affairs of this Province in great Britain to Acquaint him with the present critical situation of Indians affairs; and to instruct him to renew his Application for Military Stores; and to solicit such Other Aid as may be necessary for the Protection and defence of this Province in Case of an Actual Rupture with the Indians; and also to instruct him to make Application to the Society for propogating the Gospel in foreign Parts for a Minister for the Town of Augusta and Parish of S^t Paul in this Province: And likewise to instruct him to inquire into the Nature of Alderman Bakers Claim to a Barony of Land in this Province, granted or allotted in Parcels to divers Persons by the late Trustees for establishing the Colony of Georgia, and since by the Crown; And if he shall find the same to make proper Application for Relief from the Crown.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 24^o Februarii 1764^o

Bill appointing
Commissrs. to
rebuild the
Court House
read a second
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for appointing Commissioners to rebuild the Court House in the Town of Savannah with Jury Rooms and other Conveniences necessary for the said House And to empower the said Commissioners to dispose of the Materials of the Old Court House: was read a Second Time

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed

And committed House in Committee on the said Bill. ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House

ORDERED That the House be now put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

Accordingly the House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee upon the said Bill—

After some Time

The House was resumed And M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he Gone thro', and reported without Amendmt. was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Monday next

The Ingrossed Address of both Houses to his Excellency the Governour being read—

ORDERED That M^r President do sign the same and that it be entred in the Journals as follows viz^t

To his Excellency James Wright Esq^r Captain general and Governour in chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia.

The humble Address of both Houses of Assembly

May it please your Excellency

We his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council and Commons House of Assembly in general Address of both Houses to the Governor— Assembly met thoroughly sensible of the pernicious and destructive Consequences to this Province should the Grants made by the Government of South Carolina of the Lands to the Southward of the Alatomaha take place, which now are by order of his most gracious Majesty

annexed to this Province, and equally assured of the zealous Endeavours and assiduous Steps pursued by your Excellency on Behalf of the people of Georgia to defeat that Measure; beg Leave to return you our most unfeigned and very Sincere Thanks on that Occasion, which we look upon as an additional and interesting Proof, added to the many we have hitherto experienced, of your Steady Regard to the Interests of the Province under your Government: And whatever may be the Event assure you that we shall ever retain a Grateful and permanent Sense of this recent Obligation your Excellency has laid us under.

Address
presented.

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and with the Commons House waited on his Excellency the Governor and presented their Address And being returned the House was resumed And M^r President reported that they had presented their Address to his Excellency who was pleased to return the following Answer, viz^t

Gentlemen

His Excellency
the Governr.
Answer to
Address—

It is very satisfactory to me to find that both Houses of Assembly approve of my Endeavours to defeat the Measures taken by the Government of Carolina with respect to the Lands lying to the Southward of the River Matamaha, I always considered those Proceedings as contrary to his Majesty's royal Intention, of an extraordinary Nature, and very injurious to this Province; and therefore took such Steps therein as I thought my duty to his Majesty, and Regard for the good People of Georgia required me to take: And hope I shall on every Occasion manifest a proper Zeal for the Prosperity of this Province.

JAMES WRIGHT

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 25° Februarii 1764°

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 27° Februarii 1764°

Bill appointing
Commissrs. to
rebuild the
Court House
read a Third
Time—

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for appointing Commissioners to rebuild the Court House in the Town of Savannah with Jury Rooms and other Conveniences necessary for the said House, and to empower the said Commissioners to dispose of the Materials of the Old Court House: was read a third Time.

Passed

And the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Bill sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and Acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 28° Februarii 1764°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 29° Februarii 1764°

His Excellency the Governour came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery requiring their attendance in the Council Chamber immediately; And M^r Speaker with the Commons House attending his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bills viz^t—

An Act for further continuing an Act to prevent Vessels carrying off Debtors

An Act for further continuing an Act to prevent Masters of Vessels from carrying off Persons in Debt from this Province.

An Act to amend the Market Act—

An Act for further amending and explaining an Act for better regulating the Market in the Town of Savannah.

An Ordinance reappointg. Wm. Knox Esqr. Agent—

An Ordinance reappointing William Knox Esqr Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain.

An Act to amend the Road Act—

An Act for further amending an Act intituled an Act to impower the several Surveyers therein named to lay Out public Roads in the Province of Georgia.

An Act to enable the Commissioners appointed in and by

An Act to enable the Commissrs. for repairing Christ Church to sell Material &c.—

an Act of the general Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for the repairing of Christ Church in Savannah to dispose of such Materials as have already been provided for rebuilding of the said Church in Savannah and to place Out at Interest the Monies arising by sale thereof together with the Monies provided by several Acts of Assembly for repairing and rebuilding of the said Church and now in the hand of the Treasurer.

An Act appointing Commissrs. to rebuild the Court House—

An Act for appointing Commissioners to rebuild the Court House in the Town of Savannah with Jury Rooms and other Conveniences necessary for the House and to impower the said Commissioners to dispose of the Materials of the Old Court House.

An Act for granting his Maty. £ s d 2117.. 12.. 0⁰/₄ for Support of Governmt. for the Year 1764—

An Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of two thousand one hundred and seventeen Pounds thirteen shillings and three farthings Sterling for the use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1764 to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears.

An Act to direct Executors and Administrs. in their Duty—

An Act to direct Executors and Administrators in the Manner and Method of returning Inventories and Accounts of their Testators and Intestates Estates and for allowing them and all other Persons who shall or may be intrusted with the Care and Management of Minors and other Estates to Charge Commissions thereon.

An Act to suppress Lotteries and Gaming—

An Act to suppress Lotteries and prevent other excessive and deceitful Gaming.

An Act for Punishment of Vagabonds &c.—

An Act for the Punishment of Vagabonds and other idle and disorderly Persons and for erecting Prisons or Places of Security in the several Parishes of this Province And for preventing Trespasses on Land of the

Crown or Lands reserved for the Indians and for the more effectual suppressing and punishing Persons bartering with Indians in the Woods.

After which his Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses as follows viz^t

Gentlemen of the Council,

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly,

Before I put an End to this Session I cannot omit re-
His Excellency the Govrs. Speech to both Houses— turning you Thanks for your Attention in framing and settling such of the Bills now assented to as were particularly recommended by me, and for that Disposition which every Individual has shewn to cooperate with me in these things that I judged for his Majesty's Service and the Good of the Province, And I must also give you my very sincere Thanks for the repeated Marks of Respect shewn, and Confidence reposed in me during the Course of this Session.

Nothing, Gentlemen, can tend more to promote the further Prosperity of this very flourishing Colony than a Continuance of that great Unanimity we have hitherto had the Happiness to enjoy and of the general Harmony that Appears throughout the whole Province.

After which his Excellency spake as follows

Gentlemen

I now prorogue the general Assembly until Tuesday
Prorogation— the tenth Day of July next And the same is accordingly prorogued Until that time.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

GEORGIA.

Journal

Of the upper House convened in general Assembly by
Proclamation on Saturday the 26th May 1764.

CHA^s WATSON C. G. A.

In the Gov^{rs} Letter
of 4 April 1765.

Seal taken off by S. B.

GEORGIA.

Journal of the upper House convened in general As-
sembly by Proclamation on Saturday the twenty
sixth Day of May 1764.

Die Sabbati 26^o May 1764^o

His Excellency the Governor came to this House.

A Message from his Excellency to the Commons House
of Assembly by the Master in Chancery desiring the
House will proceed to the Choice of a Speaker in the
Room of Lewis Johnson Esq^r their late Speaker called
up to be a Member of his Majesty's honourable Council.

Message fm.
Govr. to Coms.
Ho: to choose a
Speaker—

A Message from the Commons House to his Excel-
lency by M^r Ottolenghe and M^r Jones—that the Com-
mons House have made Choice of a Speaker and desire
to know when his Excellency will please to be attended

Message fm.
Coms. Ho: that
they had chose
a Speaker—

and by the House in Order to present their Speaker for his Excellency's Approbation.

His Excellency answered that he was ready to receive the House.

Accordingly the House attended his Excellency and presented James Read Esq^r their Speaker; Of which Choice his Excellency was pleased to express his Approbation—

And then his Excellency left the House

Mr President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governor signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House; And he presented the same accordingly, and the said Message was read and is as follows viz^t

Honorable Gentlemen

A Message fm. the Govr. It having pleased almighty God to visit this Province with a most calamitous and dreadful Disease the Small Pox, and the means hitherto used to prevent its spreading proving ineffectual, and having with your Advice called the Assembly on that Occasion; I now recommend to your serious Consideration the framing of such a Bill as you may judge most proper for the Relief of the Inhabitants of this Town and the Welfare of the Province in general

JA: WRIGHT

Savannah in Georgia
the 26th of May 1764

Mr. Attorney genl. presented to the House a Bill to continue several Laws—
intituled an Act for continuing several Laws therein mentioned for regulating the Militia; for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves; for

the impowering Surveyors to lay out public Roads; for
 laying an Impost on Shipping; and to prevent Horse
 stealing; and the same was received and read the first
 Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

received and read
 1st Time,

and

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a second Time.

a second Time
 and committed.

And the Bill was accordingly read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the said Bill be Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee
 of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee
 upon the said Bill on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till
 Monday Morning ten o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 28^o Maii 1764^o

A Message was brought from the Commons House
 by M^r Noble Wimberly Jones in the following Words,
 viz^t

Commons House of Assembly May the 28th 1764

Honourable Gentlemen

A Message fm.
 Coms. House
 desiring a Com-
 mittee of this
 House might be
 appointed to
 draw up a joint
 Address to the
 Govr. in An-
 swer to his
 Message—

His Excellency the Governor having acquainted this
 House by Message last Saturday "That it having pleased
 "Almighty God to visit this Province with a most ca-
 "lamitous and dreadful Disease, the Small Pox, and the
 "Means hitherto used to prevent it's spreading having

"proved ineffectual he had thought it necessary to call
 "the Assembly together, and recommended to the serious
 "Consideration of this House the framing of such a Bill
 "as this House might judge most proper on the Occasion
 "for the Relief of the Inhabitants of this Town and the
 "Welfare of the Province in general" And this House
 having resolved to address his Excellency upon his said
 Message desires your House will please to appoint a
 Committee to join a Committee of this House in pre-
 paring an Address.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the
 Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 28th May 1764

Mr Speaker

A Message to
 the Coms. Ho.
 appointg. a
 Committee—

In Answer to the Message of your House desiring
 this House will appoint a Committee to join a Commit-
 tee of your House in preparing an Address to his Ex-
 cellency the Governor on the Subject Matter of his Mes-
 sage to both Houses relative to the framing a Bill for
 the Relief of the Inhabitants of this Town, and the Wel-
 fare of the Province in General, by preventing the fur-
 ther spreading of the Small Pox; This House doth agree
 thereto and hath appointed a Committee accordingly to
 meet in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber im-
 mediately.

Committee Grey Elliott, Clement Martin, and Lewis
 Johnson Esq^{rs}

House in Com-
 mittee on Bill
 to continue sev-
 eral Laws—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put
 into a Committee on the Bill intituled An Act for con-
 tinuing several Laws therein mentioned, for regulating
 the Militia for better ordering and governing Negroes
 and other Slaves; for the empowering Surveyors to lay

out public Roads; for laying an Impost on Shipping and to prevent Horse Stealing;

After some Time,

**Reported with-
out Amend-
ment—** The House was resumed; and M^r Clifton reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Bill ingrossed— ORDERED That the Bill be ingrossed and read a third Time.

**Read a Third
Time** The ingrossed Bill intituled An Act for continuing several Laws therein mentioned, for regulating the Militia; for better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves; for the Impowering Surveyors to lay out public Roads; for laying an Impost on Shipping; and
and to prevent Horse Stealing; was read a Third Time according to Order.

Passed. And the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

**Sent to Coms.
Ho: for their
Concurrence—** ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and desire their Concurrence thereto.

And then the House adjourned untill four o’Clock in the Afternoon.

Die Lūnæ post Merediam

Message fm. Coms. House wth. Bill to prevent spreadg. of small Pox—
 A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Noble Wimberly Jones; That the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for preventing the Spreading of the Small Pox in Savannah and in other Parts of this Province to which they Desire the Concurrence of this honourable House, And the same was read the first Time and Ordered to be read a second Time.

Read first
and second Time
 ORDERED That the Bill be now read a second Time
 And the Bill was accordingly read a second Time
 And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed.

and Committed
 ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow Morning.

And then the House adjourned till 10
 Morrow Morning ten o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 29^o Maii 1764^o

A Message fm. Coms. Ho: agreeing to Bill to continue several Laws without Amendmt—
 A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Noble Wimberly Jones; that the Commons House have agreed to the Bill intituled an Act for continuing several Laws therein mentioned for regulating the Militia; for better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves; for the empowering Surveyors to lay out

public Roads; for laying an Impost on Shipping; and to prevent Horse stealing: without any Amendment.

Also a Message by the said M^r Jones in the following Words viz^t

Commons house of Assembly 29th May 1764

Honourable Gentlemen,

And agreeing
to Address to
his Excellency.
prepared by
Committee of
both Houses.

Upon Report of the Committee of this House appointed to join a Committee of your House in preparing an Address to his Excellency the Governor on the Subject Matter of his Message to both Houses relative to framing a Bill for the Relief of the Inhabitants of this Town and the Welfare of the Province in General by preventing the further spreading of the Small Pox; this House doth agree to the Address so prepared.

Address reported from
Committee and
agreed to—

M^r Elliott from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of the Commons House in preparing an Address to his Excellency the Governor on the Subject Matter of his Excellency's Message to both Houses reported that they had drawn up an Address accordingly, which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same—

ORDERED That the Report be now received.

And M^r Elliott read the same in his Place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table where the Address was read and agreed to by the House.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 29th May 1764M^r SpeakerA Message to
the Commons
Ho: thereon—

Upon report from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of your House in drawing up an Address to his Excellency the Governor on the Subject Matter of his Message to both Houses relative to framing a Bill for the Relief of the Inhabitants of this Town, and the Welfare of the Province in general, by preventing the further spreading of the Small Pox; this House doth agree to the Address so prepared; And desire that you will appoint a Member of your House to wait on his Excellency with a Member of this House to know when he will please to receive the said Address.

Address or-
dered to be in-
grossed and
entred—

ORDERED That the Address be ingrossed and entred in the Journals.

The ingrossed Address being read.

ORDERED That M^r President do sign the same.

To his Excellency James Wright Esquire Captain General and Governor in chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia Chancellor and Vice Admiral of the same.

The humble Address of both Houses of Assembly

May it please your Excellency.

Address

We his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council and Commons House of Assembly in general Assembly met have taken under Consideration your Excellency's Message to both Houses and beg leave to assure you that we shall loose no Time in framing the Bill your Excellency so warmly and justly recommends to prevent, if possible, the future spreading of that dread-

full Calamity the Small Pox; a Bill we find the more necessary as we are sorry to say we have the strongest Proof of that Disease having been most industriously propagated by one or two ill-intentioned Persons solely from lucrative Views: a Practice so very pernicious to the Welfare of the Province must undoubtedly induce us by every Means to prevent a Continuation of it

M^r Martin reported that his Excellency the Governor having been waited on (pursuant to Order) to know when he would be attended by both Houses with their Address; had been pleased to appoint four o'Clock in the Afternoon for that Purpose.

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled An Act to prevent the further spreading of the Small Pox in Savannah, and in other Parts of this Province.

House in Com-
mittee on small
Pox Bill

After some Time

The House was resumed, and M^r Clifton reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

and

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time.

Read a Third
Time

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

and

Passed

And the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Sent to the
Coms. House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill

and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And then the House adjourned untill four o'Clock in the Afternoon.

Die Martis post Merediem.

Both Houses
attend the
Govr. wth.
their Address—

The House adjourned during Pleasure and, with the Commons House attended his Excellency the Governor with their Address and being returned the House was resumed, and M^r President reported that this House with the Commons House had attended his Excellency with their Address which he (M^r President) had delivered and his Excellency was pleased to return the following Answer, viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen, M^r Speaker and Gentlemen,

His Excellcy's
Answer—

I thank you for the Readiness you declare to frame the Bill proposed by me, and which I am very hopeful will frustrate the lucrative Views of any ill disposed Persons, and save Numbers of the Inhabitants from the greatest Sufferings, which would unavoidably be the Consequence of that Disease becoming general at the approaching Season of the Year.

His Excellcy.
assents to the
following Bills
vizt.—

His Excellency the Governor came to this House and M^r Speaker with the Commons House attending, his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bills, namely—

An Act to pre-
vent the fur-
ther Spreading
of the Small
Pox—

An Act to prevent the further spreading of the Small Pox in Savannah and in other Parts of this Province.

and

An Act for continuing several Laws therein mentioned

An Act for continuing sev. Laws therein mentiond.

for regulating the Militia, for better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves; for the empowering Surveyors to lay out public Roads; for laying an Impost on Shipping; and to prevent Horse Stealing.

Assembly prorogued

After which his Excellency prorogued the General Assembly to Monday the tenth Day of September next.

And this House accordingly adjourned untill the said Tenth Day of September next Eleven O'Clock in the Forenoon—

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Genl. Assembly dissolved.

On the fourth day of September 1764 his Excellency was pleased to issue his Proclamation for dissolving the present general Assembly and ordered Writs to issue for calling a new Assembly to meet at Savannah on Tuesday the 20th day of November following.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

GEORGIA.

Journal

Of the upper House met in general Assembly on Tuesday the 20th November 1764.

CHA^s WATSON C. G. A.

In the Gov^{r's} Letter
of 4 April 1765.

Journal of the upper House met in general Assembly on Tuesday the 20th November 1764—Being the first Session of the fifth general Assembly in and for the Province of Georgia appointed to meet in Savannah.

Die Martis 20^o Novembris 1764^o.

His Excellency the Governor came to the House and the Provost Marshall made return of the several Writs of Election to him directed which after being examined were sent down to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with a Commission to tender and administer the State Oaths and Declaration and the following Message from his Excellency.

Gentlemen

His Excellency's
Message to the
Coms. Ho: with
the Writs of
Election—

His Excellency commands me to acquaint you that he has sent down the Writs of Election returned by the Provost Marshall also a Commission to tender and ad-

minister the Oaths and Declaration appointed by Act of Parliament to be taken and subscribed by the Persons elected to serve as Members of the general Assembly which when you have so done he desires you will proceed to the Choice of a Speaker.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 21^o Novembris 1764^o

His Excellency the Governor came to this House.

A Message to his Excellency from the Commons House by M^r Ottolenghe and M^r Jones that the Commons House have chosen a Speaker and desire to know when his Excellency will be waited on in Order to present their Speaker for his Excellency's Approbation.

The Coms.
House presents
Alexr. Wyly
Esqr. for their
Speaker—

The Govr.
approves.

His Excellency answered he was then ready to receive them Accordingly a Committee from the Commons House waited on his Excellency and presented Alexander Wyly Esq^r their Speaker; His Excellency was pleased to approve the Choice And then they withdrew.

His Excellency sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery requiring their attendance in the Council Chamber immediately And M^r Speaker with the Commons house attending, his Excellency made a Speech to both Houses, after which his Excellency left the House.

M^r President taking ^(sic) taking the Chair, reported that his Excellency the Governor had made a Speech to both Houses, of which, M^r President said, to prevent

Mistakes, he had obtained a Copy which was read to the House and is as follows viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Commons House of Assembly

The Govr's.
Speech to both
houses of
Assembly—

Our most gracious Sovereign having been pleased to honour me with his Royal Commission under the Great Seal of Great Britain extending my Authority and Jurisdiction in and over the Territory annexed to this Province by his Majesty's Royal Proclamation of the 7th of Ocotber 1763 (which is more particularly described in the said Commission) and investing me with all the Powers in and over the said Territory that are contained in my general Commission; I must therefore recommend to your Consideration the framing of a Bill to extend and enforce all our general Laws to and throughout the said annexed Territory, in order to remove and avoid any Doubt or Difficulty concerning the same: And as those two capital Laws the Militia Law and Negro Law will expire with this Session a carefull Revisal of them will be very necessary before they are re-enacted, that they may more effectually answer the good Ends proposed.

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly

His Majesty's Post Master general being concerting Measures for settling a regular, and constant Post throughout the Colonies, it is the Kings Pleasure that I should recommend it to you to provide for the Establishment of Ferries, and erecting proper Buildings on the Water side, wherever the same may be found necessary within this Province, that the Post may not meet with any Delays or Interruptions in passing.

And his Majesty out of his princely Care for our Protection and Safety having ordered a Part of the first Battallion of the Royal American Regiment into this Province and still continuing the two Troops of Rangers here I cannot omit requesting you to take into your Consideration the ruinous State of Fort Augusta, and of the Guard House in Savannah, and doubt not but you will judge it altogether necessary to make suitable Provision for those Services.

I shall order an Account of the last Years Tax to be laid before you, and an Estimate for the Service of the current year and must in the strongest manner recommend to you to give Dispatch that so the attendance on the Public Business may not be injurious to any of the Members.

Gentlemen of the Council, M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly

I have the Satisfaction to acquaint you that our Indian Affairs have so happily succeeded that not One Shilling of Debt has been contracted under the Vote of Credit with which I was entrusted on that Occasion.

I perswade myself Gentlemen, that the Business of this Session will be conducted with that hitherto well experienced great Temper, Unanimity, and Confidence, so Conducive to the general Happiness of the Province; and assure you of my Readiness most heartily to concur with you in that and every Measure for his Majesty's Service and the Prosperity of this Province.

JA: WRIGHT

Savannah in Georgia
Council Chamber the
21st November 1764

A Committee
appointed to
draw up an
Address—

RESOLVED, *Nemine dissentiente* That an Address of Thanks be drawn up and presented to his Excellency the Governor for his affectionate Speech to both Houses.

ORDERED That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address of thanks to his Excellency the Governor upon the said Resolution; and that M^r Elliott M^r Martin, and M^r Johnson be the Committee.

ORDERED That his Excellency the Governor's Speech be referred to the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 22^o Novembris 1764^o

Address re-
ported from
Committee and
agreed to—

M^r Elliott from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address to his Excellency the Governor reported that the Committee had prepared an Address accordingly, which they had directed him to report when the Honourable House will be pleased to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now received.

And M^r Elliott read the same in his Place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table where the Address was read and agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Address be ingrossed.

The ingrossed Address to his Excellency the Governor being read

ORDERED That the same be entered in the Journals.

To his Excellency James Wright Esquire Captain General and Governor in chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia

The humble Address of the upper House of Assembly

May it please your Excellency

Address

We his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council of Georgia in general Assembly met beg leave to return your Excellency our Thanks for your Speech to both Houses.

We most sincerely congratulate your Excellency upon the additional authority vested in you by his Majesty's Royal Commission; the annexing such a considerable territory to this Province cannot but be the means of inviting many valuable Settlers to improve it: We intirely agree with your Excellency in the Necessity, on this Occasion, of properly extending and enforcing our general Laws, also of revising the Militia and Negro Laws before they are re-enacted; in all which we shall most readily and chearfully concur, as well as in every other Measure proposed by your Excellency.

It is with great Satisfaction we find the Public has been no ways burthened by the Vote of Credit passed in the last general Assembly: and we have the strongest Hopes that the present peaceable Disposition of the Indians (which we justly attribute to the very judicious Measures pursued by your Excellency in the Management of Affairs relating to them) may so continue as to render any future Provision of that Nature unnecessary.

Influenced by your Excellency's candid Example and

animated by an unfeigned Zeal for the Public Tranquility we shall invariably persist in our Endeavours to conduct the Business of this Session with the well grounded Cautions recommended by you: And from the obvious Tendency of every part of your Excellency's past Conduct we can have no Room to doubt of your Concurrence in any Measure that may promote the Welfare and Prosperity of Georgia.

ORDERED That M^r President do sign the Address.

ORDERED That M^r Elliott and M^r Martin do wait on his Excellency the Governor to know when he will please to be attended by this House with their Address.

M^r Elliott reported to the House that his Excellency the Governor having been waited on, pursuant to Order, to know when he would receive this House with their Address had been pleased to say he was then ready to receive them.

The House
waits on the
Govr. with
their Address—

The House accordingly adjourned during Pleasure to attend his Excellency the Governor and present their Address

And being returned.

The House was resumed; and M^r President reported that the House had attended his Excellency the Governor and presented their Address which he received very kindly and was pleased to give the following Answer, viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

The Govr.
Answer

Your very kind Address I most cordially accept and thank you for the Zeal you express to promote the Honour Interest and Tranquility of this Province; also

for the favourable Opinion you are pleased to entertain of my Conduct; which I hope will continue to be such as may merit the Approbation of Gentlemen I so much esteem

The unanimous
Thanks of the
House to the
late Attorney
genl. for his
Services &c.—

RESOLVED Nemine dissentiente That the Thanks of this House be given to the Honourable William Clifton Esq^r Chief Justice of West Florida and late Attorney General, and Member of his Majesty's Honourable Council in this Province for his disinterested and upright Conduct in his Office, and his very usefull and unwearied Attendance as a Member of that Board.

ORDERED That the Clerk of this House do by Letter acquaint him therewith.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 23^o Novembris 1764^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 24^o Novembris 1764^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 26° Novembris 1764°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 27° Novembris 1764°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 28° Novembris 1764°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 29° Novembris 1764°

ORDERED That leave be given to bring in a Bill to
Leave for a Bill to amend an Act for preventing fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances amend an Act intituled an Act for preventing fraudulent
leat Mortgages Mortgages and Conveyances and for making valid all
 Deeds and Conveyances heretofore made in Respect of
 any Defect in the Form and Manner of making thereof

And that M^r Elliott and M^r Martin do prepare and bring
in the same.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 30^o Novembris 1764^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 1^o Decembris 1764^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 3^o Decembris 1764^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 4^o Decembris 1764^o

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: to prevent
spreading of
the small Pox—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r. Crooke, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to prevent as much as may be the spreading of the Small Pox in this Province to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House; and the same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read 1st and
2d Time—

ORDERED That the said Bill be now read a second Time.

And the same was accordingly read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed.

and committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House —

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill to morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 5^o Decembris 1764^o

House in Com-
mittee on small
Pox Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent as much as may be the spreading of the Small Pox in this Province.

After some Time

Reported with-
out Amend-
ment— The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Read a third
Time ORDERED That the said Bill be now read a third Time.

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

and passed. And the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O’Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 6^o Decembris 1764^o

The House adjourned ’till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o’Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 7^o Decembris 1764^o

The Govr.
assents to the
Act to prevent
the spreading
of the small
Pox—

His Excellency the Governor came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber immediately; And M^r Speaker with the Commons House attending, his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bill, namely,

An Act to prevent as much as may be the spreading of the Small Pox in this Province.

And then his Excellency left the House.

And the House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 8^o Decembris 1764^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 10^o Decembris 1764^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 11° Decembris 1764°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 12° Decembris 1764°

Bill fm. Com.
Ho: for better
ordering the
Militia
Read the first
Time—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Crooke;
that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an
Act for the better ordering the Militia of this Province,
to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable
House; and the same was read the first Time and ordered
to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a second Time
to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 13° Decembris 1764°

Militia Bill read
a second Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intit-
uled an Act for the better ordering the Militia of this
Province was read a second Time.

and

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed.

committed ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 14^o Decembris 1764^o

House in Committee on Militia Bill— The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee upon the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the better ordering the Militia of this Province.

After some Time

Amended— The House was resumed, And M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow.

Bill fm. Coms. Ho: to prevent Persons throwing Ballast &c. in to Rivers &c.— A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houstoun Bar^t that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to amend an Act to prevent Persons throwing Ballast or fallen Trees into the Rivers and Navigable Creeks within this Province and for keeping clear the Channels of the same, to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House, and the Bill was

Read the first Time read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a second Time on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 15^o Decembris 1764^o

Amendmts. to
Militia Bill reported
and
Agreed to. M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the better ordering the Militia of this Province; which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 17^o Decembris 1764^o

Militia Bill read a third Time and passed with Amendments— The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the better ordering the Militia of this province was read a third Time.

And the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence to the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Ballast Bill
read a second
Time—

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act to prevent Persons throwing Ballast or fallen Trees into the Rivers and Navigable Creeks within this Province and for keeping clear the Channels of the same was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the bill be committed.

committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 18° Decembris 1764°

House in Com-
mittee on
Ballast Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act to prevent persons throwing Ballast or fallen Trees into the Rivers

and Navigable Creeks within this Province and for keeping clear the Channels of the same.

After some Time

Reported without Amendment—

The House was resumed, and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendments, And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the said Bill be now read a Third Time.

Read a third Time

And the Bill was accordingly read a Third Time.

and

Passed

And the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

It appearing to this House that the Reverend M^r Whitefield has applied to his Excellency the Governor in Council for lands for the Endowment of a Colledge in this Province.

An Address resolved to be presented to the Gov^r. for his Recommendation & Encouragement of the Endowment of a College &c.

RESOLVED That an Address be presented to his Excellency the Governor requesting his Recommendation and Encouragement of so laudable an Undertaking and that he may be pleased to transmit Home the Wishes of this House for the Completion thereof.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons

A Message to
the Coms.
House thereon.

House by the Master in Chancery acquainting them with the said Resolution and desiring their Concurrence therein and that they will appoint a Committee of their House to join a Committee of this House to prepare an Address accordingly.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol..42.)

Die Mercurii 19^o Decembris 1764^o

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: for better
ordering and
governing
Negroes &c.—

Read first Time

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houston; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for the better ordering and governing of Negroes and other Slaves in this Province to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House; And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on the Sixteenth day of January next.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r David Cutler Braddock in the following words, viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
desiring Con-
ference on
Amendmts. to
Militia Bill—

This House having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act for the better regulating of the Militia of this Province have agreed to some and disagreed to others; And therefore this House desires you will be pleased to appoint a Committee of your House to join a Commit-

tee of this House in a Conference upon the Subject Matter of the said Amendments; and if your Honours please to join therein this House desires you will appoint your Number Time and Place.

Commons House of Assembly
December 19th 1764.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 19th December 1764.

M^r Speaker

Answer agree-
ing to the Con-
ference—

In answer to your Message desiring a Conference on the Amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled an Act for the better Regulation of the Militia of this Province this House doth agree thereto and hath appointed a Committee accordingly to meet in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber immediately.

Committee Grey Elliott, Francis Harris and James Edward Powell Esq^{rs}

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Crooke in the following Words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 19th December 1764.

Honourable Gentlemen,

Message fm.
Coms. Ho:
agreeing to
Address to
Govr touchg.
a Colledge

In Answer to your Message of yesterday desiring the Concurrence of this House and that a Committee might be appointed to join a Committee of your House in preparing an Address to his Excellency the Governor requesting his Recommendation and Encouragement of so laudable an Undertaking as the Endowment of a College in this Province by the Rev^d M^r Whitefield, And

that his Excellency may be pleased to transmit Home our Wishes for the Completion thereof This House doth agree thereto and hath appointed a Committee accordingly.

Committee Mess^{rs} Jones, Braddock, Ewen, Sir Patrick Houston and M^r Milledge }

Address
prepared

The House adjourned during Pleasure and the Committee of this House joined the Committee of the Commons House to prepare the aforesaid Address, And after some Time the Committee being returned the House was resumed, And M^r Elliott reported that the Committee of both Houses had prepared an Address to his Excellency on the aforegoing Subject Matter which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

Reported ORDERED That the Report be now received.

And M^r Elliott accordingly read the same in his Place
And agreed to. and afterwards delivered the Address in at the Table where it was read and agreed to by the House.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houston Bar^t in the following Words viz^t.

Commons House of Assembly 19th Dec^r 1764.

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeing to
Address—

This House having taken into Consideration the Report of the Committee appointed to join a Committee of your House to prepare an Address to his Excellency the Governor requesting his Recommendation and Encouragement of so laudable an Undertaking as the Endowment of a College in this Province by the Rev^d M^r

Whitefield; and that he may be pleased to transmit home the Wishes of both Houses for the Completion thereof; This House doth agree to the Address so prepared.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 19th Dec^r 1764.

M^r Speaker

Upon report from the Committee of this House appointed to join a Committee of your House to prepare an Address to his Excellency the Governor requesting his Recommendation and Encouragement of so laudable an Undertaking as the Endowment of a College in this Province by the Rev^d M^r Whitefield; and that he may be pleased to transmit home the Wishes of both Houses for the Completion thereof: This House doth agree to the Address so prepared.

ORDERED That the Address be ingrossed.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis. 20^o Decembris 1764^o

The ingrossed address to his Excellency the Governor being read.

ORDERED That the same be entred in the Journals.

To his Excellency James Wright Esq^r Captain General and Governor in chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia.

The joint
Address to his
Excellency the
Govr.—

The Address of both Houses of Assembly

May it please your Excellency

We his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council and Commons House of Assembly of Georgia in general Assembly met beg leave to acquaint your Excellency that with the highest Satisfaction we learn the Reverend M^r George Whitefield has applied for Land in order to the Endowment of a College in this Province.

The many and singular obligations Georgia has continually lain under to that Reverend Gentleman from it's very Infant State would in gratitude induce us by every Means in our power to promote any Measure he might recommend but in the present Instance where the Interest of the Province, the Advancement of Religion and the pleasing Prospect of obtaining proper Education for our Youth so clearly coincide with his Views, We cannot in Justice but request your Excellency to use your utmost Endeavours to promote so desireable an Event: And to transmit Home our sincere and very fervent Wishes for the Accomplishment of so useful so beneficent and so laudable an Undertaking.

ORDERED That M^r President do sign the Address.

ORDERED That M^r Powell do with a Member of the Commons House wait on his Excellency the Governor to know when he will please to receive the two Houses with their Address.

M^r Powell reported that his Excellency the Governor having been waited on pursuant to Order to know when

the two Houses should attend him with their Address had been pleased to answer that he was then ready to receive them.

Address presented to his Excellency the Govr.

Accordingly the House adjourned during Pleasure and with the Commons House attended his Excellency the Governor with their Address; And being returned the House was resumed, and M^r President reported that this House with the Commons House had attended his Excellency with their Address, which he (M^r President) had delivered And his Excellency was pleased to give his Answer thereto in the following Words viz^t

Gentlemen

The Govr's Answer—

I am so perfectly sensible of the very great Advantages which will result to the Province in general from the Establishment of a Seminary for Learning here that it gives me the greatest Pleasure to find so laudable an Undertaking proposed by the Reverend M^r White. The friendly and zealous Disposition of that Gentleman to promote the Prosperity of this Province has been often experienced and you may rest assured that I shall transmit your Address home with my best Endeavours for the Success of the great Point in View.

M^r President also acquainted the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governor to this House signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House.

And he presented the same accordingly and the said Message was read and is as follows.

Gentlemen

I do hereby adjourn the upper House of Assembly

Adjournmt. of
the Ho: to 15th
Janry. next—

until Tuesday the fifteenth Day of January next then to meet for the Dispatch of Business; and it is accordingly adjourned to Tuesday the fifteenth Day of January next Given under my hand at Savannah this twentieth Day of December 1764.

JA: WRIGHT

To the Hon^{ble} the President and
Members of the upper House of Assembly }

ORDERED That all Orders and Resolutions be adjourned over to that Day.

And then the House adjourned until
Tuesday the fifteenth Day of January
next Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 15^o Januarii 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 16^o Januarii 1765^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the better ordering and governing of Negroes and other Slaves in this Province was read a second Time.

and

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T.; Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 17^o Januarii 1765^o

House in Com-
mittee on
Negro Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the better ordering and governing of Negroes and other Slaves in this Province.

After some Time

made some
Progress

The House was resumed, And M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had made some Progress in the Bill and desire another Time may be appointed for them to sit again.

ORDERED That this House shall be put into a Committee again to proceed on the said Bill to Morrow.

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: for raising
a Fund by an
Impost on Ship-
ping—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Croke that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for raising a fund by an Impost on Shipping to defray the Expence of keeping in Repair or rebuilding the Light House and Pilot House on Tybee Island; to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable

Read first
Time.

House, And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 18^o Januarii 1765^o

House again in
Committee on
Negro Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee to consider further of the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the better ordering and governing of Negroes and other Slaves in this Province

After some Time

Gone thro' &
amended

The House was resumed, And M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and Made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received on Wednesday next.

Impost Bill
read a Second
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for raising a Fund by an Impost on Shipping to defray the Expence of keeping in Repair or rebuilding the Pilot House and Light House on Tybee Island was read a second Time

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

And committed ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill immediately.

House in Com- Accordingly the House adjourned during Pleasure
mittee on Im- and put into a Committee upon the said Bill
post Bill—

After some Time

The House was resumed.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 19^o Januarii 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 21^o Januarii 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 22^o Januarii 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 23^o Januarii 1765^o

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: to extend
the Laws to the
late annexed
Territory—

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick
Houstoun that the Commons House have passed a Bill
intituled an Act to extend and enforce the authority of
the several Laws therein mentioned to and throughout
the Territory lately annexed to this Province, for divid-
ing the same into Parishes, and for adding the Island
of Jekyl to the Parish of S^t James To which they desire
the Concurrence of this Honourable House And the
same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a
second Time.

Read the first
Time—

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a second Time
to Morrow.

Amendmts. to
the Negro Bill
reported—

M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House
reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill
from the Commons House intituled an Act for the better
ordering and governing of Negroes and other Slaves in
this Province which Amendments being read twice were
agreed to by the House.

and agreed to.

Title of Bill
enlarged.

RESOLVED That the Title of the Bill be an Act for the
better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves;

in this Province and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers.

Mr Jones from the Committee of the whole House reported that they had gone through the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for raising a Fund by an Impost on Shipping to defray the Expence of keeping in repair or rebuilding the Light House and Pilot House on Tybee Island; and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment: And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Read a Third
Time

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time.

and

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

Passed.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass."

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 24^o Januarii 1765^o

Bill for extend-
ing the Laws
read a second
Time.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to extend and enforce the authority of the several Laws therein mentioned to and throughout the Territory lately annexed to this Province, for dividing the same

into Parishes and for adding the Island of Jekyl to the Parish of Saint James was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed

And committed ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Tuesday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 25^o Januarii 1765^o

Negro Bill read
a third Time— and The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the better ordering and governing of Negroes and other Slaves in this Province was read a third Time.

Passed. Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Bill presented
for better
strengthening
and settling
the Province
&c. &c. M^r Elliott presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act for the better strengthening and settling of this Province by compelling the several Persons who claim to hold Lands within the same under any Grant or Grants

Received and
read the first
Time—

from his Majesty witnessed by the Governor of South Carolina to bring or send into this Province a Number of White Persons or Negroes in Proportion to the Lands they claim to hold, agreeable to his Majesty's royal Instructions for granting Lands and to cultivate and improve the same; and for the better ascertaining the said several Tracts of Land by regulating the Surveys and marking the Lines thereof, and recording the several Plats in the Surveyor General's Office; also for registering and docquetting such Grants in the other proper Offices of this Province: And the same was received and read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till
to ^(sic) Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 26° Januarii 1765°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 28^{tho} Januarii 1765^o

Bill for better
strengthening
and settling
the Province
&c. read a sec-
ond Time—

The Bill intituled an Act for the better strengthening and settling of this Province by compelling the several Persons who claim to hold Land within the same under any Grant or Grants from his Majesty, witnessed by the Governor of South Carolina, to bring or send into this Province a Number of White Persons or Negroes in Proportion to the Lands they claim to hold agreeable to his Majesty's Royal Instructions for granting lands and to cultivate and improve the same; And for the better ascertaining the said several Tracts of Land by regulating the Surveys and marking the Lines thereof, and recording the several Plots in the Surveyor Generals Office; also for registering and docketting such Grants in the other proper Offices in this Province: was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

And committed ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 29^o Januarii 1765^o

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
for better
strengtheng.
and settling
the Province
&c.—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act for the better strengthening and settling of this Province by compelling the several Persons who claim to hold Lands within the same under any Grant or Grants from his Majesty witnessed by the Governor of South Carolina to bring or send into this Province a Number of white Persons or Negroes in Proportion to the Lands they claim to hold, agreeable to his Majesty's Royal Instructions for granting lands and to cultivate and improve the same; And for the better ascertaining the said several Tracts of Land by regulating the Surveys and marking the Lines thereof and recording the several Plots in the Surveyor Generals Office; also for registering and Docquetting such Grants in the other proper Offices in this Province.

After some Time

Bill reported
without
Amendment.

The house was resumed; and Mr Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Ordered to be
ingrossed.

ORDERED That the Bill be ingrossed.

Ingrossed Bill
for the better
strengtheng
and settling the
Province &c.
read a Third
Time.

The ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for the better strengthening and settling of this Province by compelling the several Persons who claim to hold Lands within the same under any Grant or Grants from his Majesty witnessed by the Governor of South Carolina to bring or send into this Province a Number of white Persons or Negroes in proportion to the Lands they claim to hold,

agreeable to his Majesty's royal Instructions for granting Lands, and to cultivate and improve the same: And for the better ascertaining the said several Tracts of Land by regulating the Surveys and marking the Lines thereof and recording the several Plats in the Surveyor General's Office: Also for registering and documenting such Grants in the other proper Offices in this Province was read a third Time.

And passed Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass.

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Ordered That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and desire their Concurrence thereto.

House in Com- The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put mitted on Bill to extend the Laws into a Committee on the engrossed Bill from the Commons House intitled an Act to extend and enforce the authority of the several Laws therein mentioned to and throughout the Territory lately annexed to this Province, for dividing the same into Parishes and for adding the Island of Jekyl to the Parish of St James

After some Time

Bill amended The House was resumed: and M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

Ordered That the Report be received on Thursday next.

Bill presented
for Limitation
of Actions &c—

Received and
read 1st Time—

Mr Jones presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act for Limitation of Actions and avoiding Suits of Law; and the same was received and read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Thursday next.

Petition of
Robt. Bolton
touching settling a Post
from hence to
Chas. Town.

A Petition of Robert Bolton of Savannah in the said Province was presented to the House and read setting forth that the Petitioner had received a Commission from his Majesty's Post Master's General of North America to establish a Post Office for the safe and speedy Conveyance of Letters to and throughout the different Parts of this Province; And the Petitioner apprehending that a regular Mail to and from South Carolina every Ten Days would be of great Advantage to Commerce and of general Use to the Inhabitants of this Province had concerted Measures for carrying the same into immediate Execution with the Person appointed Post Master in Charles Town; and in regard that ^(sic) the Establishment and Prosecution of a Plan so beneficial would be attended with a constant and not inconsiderable Expense Praying this House would be pleased to take the Premises under Consideration and grant him such Assistance therein as should seem meet.

ORDERED That the said Petition do lie upon the Table.

And then the House adjourned till Thursday Morning Eleven o'Clock to Morrow being a State Holiday.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 31^o Januarij 1765

Bill fm. Coms. House to prevent Frauds in admeasuring Lands—
 Read the first Time.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Crooke, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to prevent Frauds and Abuses in the admeasuring and laying out his Majesty's Lands in the Province of Georgia, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House and the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Monday next.

Bill for Limitation of Actions read a second Time—

The Bill intituled an Act for Limitation of Actions and avoiding Suits in Law was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

And committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

Amendments to Bill to extend the Laws reported fm Committee—

M^r Powell from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to extend and enforce the Authority of the several Laws therein mentioned to and throughout the Territory lately annexed to this Province, for dividing the same into Parishes, and for adding the Island of Jekyl to the Parish of Saint James; which Amendments being read Twice were And agreed to agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to morrow.

Memorial of
Surv. genl.
touching
Frauds in the
admeasuring
Lands—

A Memorial of Henry Yonge Surveyor General of his Majesty's Lands in this Province was presented to the House and read setting forth that Frauds and Abuses had been committed in measuring his Majesty's Lands in this Province owing to the Practice of bearing the Chain, on the several Surveys which the Deputy Surveyors were employed in, by Negroes and by white Persons not sworn to the honest and faithfull Performance of that Service from whence it often happened that the Quantity of Land directed to be laid out by the Governor's Warrants far exceeded in the Field the Number of Acres represented by the Plats returned to be annexed to the Grants of such Lands; which abuse in many Instances could not be timely detected by the Surveyor General or his Deputies and tended to defraud the Public of the Taxes and the Crown of the Quit Rents on the Surplus measure of such incorrect and unjust Surveys And praying that a Law might pass to prevent in future the like Practices so injurious to the Province and his Majesty's Revenue.

ORDERED That the Memorial do lie upon the Table untill the Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent Frauds and abuses in the admeasuring and laying out his Majesty's Lands in the Province of Georgia be read a second Time.

And then the House adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 1^o Februarii 1765^o

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
for Limitation
of Actions

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act for Limitations of Actions and avoiding Suits in Law

After some Time

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed; and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time

Read a third
Time

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time

and

Passed

Then the Question was put "Whether the Bill shall pass"

It was resolved in the Affirmative

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and desire their Concurrence thereto

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Baillie in the following Words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 31st January 1765

Honourable Gentlemen

Message desir-
ing a Confer-
ence on Amend-
mts. to Negro
Bill—

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province have agreed to some

and disagreed to others; therefore this House desires you will be pleased to appoint a Committee of your House to join a Committee of this House in a Conference upon the subject matter of the said Amendments And if your Honours please to join therein this House desires you'll appoint your Number Time and place.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper house of Assembly 1st February 1765.

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
agreeing to
Conference

In answer to your Message desiring a Conference on the Amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled an Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province This House doth agree thereto and hath appointed a Committee accordingly to meet in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber immediately.

Committee The Hon^{ble} Grey Elliott, Lewis Johnson
and Ja^s Edw^d Powell Esq^{rs}

Bill to extend
the Laws read
a third Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to extend and enforce the authority of the several Laws therein mentioned to and throughout the Territory lately annexed to this Province for dividing the same into Parishes and for adding the Island of Jekyl to the Parish of S^t James, was read a third Time

And passed
wth. Amend-
mts.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill

and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 2nd February 1765

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 4^o February 1765

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
Bill to prevent Frauds in admeasuring Lands read a Second Time— an Act to prevent Frauds and Abuses in the admeasuring
 and laying out his Majesty's Lands in the Province of
 Georgia was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed

And committed ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee
 of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be now put into a Commit-
 tee upon the said Bill.

House in Com-
 mittee upon the
 said Bill— Accordingly the House was adjourned during Pleas-
 ure and put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

After some Time

Bill Amended

The House was resumed, And M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 5^o February 1765^o

Amendmts. to
Bill to prevent
Frauds in ad-
measur.
Lands reported
fm. Committee

M^r Powell from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent Frauds and Abuses in the admeasuring and laying out his Majesty's Lands in the Province of Georgia which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

And agreed to

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 6^o February 1765

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
 Bill to prevent an Act to prevent Frauds and Abuses in the admeasuring
 Frauds in admeasuring and laying out his Majesty's Lands in the Province of
 Lands read a third Time— Georgia was read a third Time.

and

Passed with
 Amendments.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with
 the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons
 House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill
 and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made
 by this House thereto.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
 Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 7^o February 1765^o

A Message was brought from the Commons House by
 M^r Crooke in the following Words, viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 7th February 1765

Honourable Gentlemen

This House having come to a Resolution to provide

Message fm.
Coms. Ho: that
they had re-
solved to pro-
vide 50 for a
Reward to dis-
cover Forgers
of Bills—

And desiring
the Concur-
rence of this
House—

the Sum of Fifty Pounds Sterling to enable his Excellency the Governor to offer a Reward for the Discovery and Conviction of the Person or Persons concerned in making or uttering Paper Bills in Imitation of the lawfull paper Bills of Credit of this Province To which Resolution this House desires your Honours Concurrence.

Also a Message from the Commons House by the said M^r Crooke in the following Words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 6th Feb^y 1765

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. Ho: to
Agreee. to
Amendmts
made to Bill to
prevent Frauds
in admeasuring
Lands—

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act to prevent Frauds and Abuses in the admeasuring and laying out his Majesty's Lands in this Province do agree with your House in the said Amendments.

Also that Coms.
Ho: had agreed
to Bill for bet-
ter strength-
eng. and set-
tling the Prov-
ince &c. with
some Amend-
ments—

Likewise that the Commons House have agreed to the Bill intituled an Act for the better strengthening and settling of this Province by compelling the several Persons who claim to hold Lands within the same under any Grant or Grants from his Majesty witnessed by the Governor of South Carolina to bring or send into this Province a Number of white Persons or Negroes in Proportion to the Lands they claim to hold, agreeable to his Majesty's royal Instructions for granting Lands, and to cultivate and improve the same; And for the better ascertaining the said several Tracts of Land by regulating the Surveys and marking the Lines thereof and recording the several Plats in the Surveyor General's Office; Also for registering and docquetting such Grants in the other proper Offices in this Province: With some Amendments to which Amendments they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House.

Resolved to
concur with
Coms. Ho: in
the
providing 50 for
a Reward &c.—

RESOLVED That this House doth concur with the Commons House in their Resolution to provide the Sum of Fifty Pounds Sterling to enable his Excellency the Governor to offer a Reward for the Discovery and Conviction of the Person or Persons concerned in making or uttering Paper Bills in Imitation of the lawfull Paper Bills of Credit of this Province.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery acquainting them with the foregoing Resolution.

Amendmts.
made by Coms.
Ho: to Bill
for better
strengthening
& settling the
Province &c.
considered and
agreed to—

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments made by the Commons House to the Bill intituled an Act for the better strengthening and settling of this Province by compelling the several Persons who claim to hold Lands within the same under any Grant or Grants from his Majesty witnessed by the Governor of South Carolina to bring or send into this Province a Number of white Persons or Negroes in Proportion to the Lands they claim to hold, agreeable to his Majesty's royal Instructions for granting Lands and to cultivate and improve the same And for the better ascertaining the said several Tracts of Land by regulating the Surveys and marking the Lines thereof and recording the several Plats in the Surveyor General's Office; also for registering and docquetting such Grants in the other proper Offices in this Province. Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery acquainting them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their House to the said Bill.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 8^o Februarii 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 9^o Februarii 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 11th Februarii 1765^o

Bill from Coma.
Ho: to continue
sevl. Acts—

Read the first
Time.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Baillie that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to continue several Acts of the General Assembly therein mentioned; to prevent Masters of Vessels from carrying off Persons in Debt; to continue the several Road Acts; and an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle; to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House; and the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 12^o Februarii 1765^o

Bill to continue
sevl. Acts read
a second Time--

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to continue several Acts of the general Assembly therein mentioned; to prevent Masters of Vessels from carrying off Persons in Debt; to continue the several Road Acts; and an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

and committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 13^o Februarii 1765^o

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to continue
sevl. Acts--

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to continue several Acts of the present general Assembly therein mentioned; to prevent Masters of Vessels from carrying off Persons in Debt; to continue the several Road Acts; And an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle;

After some Time

The House was resumed; and M^r Martin reported
Reported with-
out Amendmt. that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that
 he was directed to report the same to the House without
 any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the
 Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on
 Friday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
 Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 14^o Februarii 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
 Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 15^o Februarii 1765^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House en-
Bill to continue
sevl Acts read
a third Time— titled an Act to continue several Acts of the general
 Assembly therein mentioned to prevent Masters of Ves-
 sels from carrying off Persons in Debt; to continue the
 several Road Acts; and an Act to prevent the stealing
 of Horses and neat Cattle; was read a third Time.
 and

Passed.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 16^o Februarii 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 18^o Februarii 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 19^o Februarii 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 20^o February 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 21^o February 1765^o

Mr President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governor signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House; and he delivered it in at the Table where the same was read and is as follows viz^t—

Honourable Gentlemen

I do hereby adjourn the upper house of Assembly until
Adjournment. Monday the twenty fifth Day of this Instant February then to meet for the dispatch of Business; and it is hereby adjourned accordingly.

Given under my hand at Savannah the 21st Day of February 1765^o

JA: WRIGHT

To the President and Members of
his Majesty's hon^{ble} Council—

ORDERED That all Orders and Resolutions be adjourned over to that Day.

And then the House adjourned until Monday next being the 25th of this Instant February Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon—

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 25° February 1765°

Bill from Coms.
House for leasing
the Spring
and Watch
House—

Read the first
Time

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Francis Williams that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to impower Commissioners to Lease or Let for a certain term of Years the Lot of Land commonly called the Spring near Savannah, and to rent the Building in Savannah commonly called the Watch House, and to appropriate the Moneys arising therefrom; to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House, and the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 26° Februarii 1765°

Ordinance fm.
Coms. House
appointing an
Agent—

Read the first
Time—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Crooke; that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance appointing William Knox Esquire Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House; and the Ordinance was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

And a second
Time—

ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a second Time.

And the Ordinance was accordingly read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Ordinance be committed.

ORDERED That the same be committed to a Committee and committed. of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance to morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 27^o Februarii 1765^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put
House in Com- into a Committee on the Ordinance appointing William
mittee on Ord- Knox Esq^r Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province
nance appointg an Agent— in Great Britain

After some Time

The House was resumed, and M^r Powell reported that
Reported with- the Committee had gone through the Ordinance and that
out Amendmt. he was directed to report the same to the House without
any Amendment and he delivered the Ordinance in at
the Table.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a third
Read a Third Time. Time.

And the Ordinance was accordingly read a third
Time.

and Passed. Then the Question was put "Whether this Ordinance shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Ordinance and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Bill fm. Commons House for establishing three Ferries
 A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houstoun Bar^t that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for establishing three Ferries at particular Places therein mentioned to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House And the Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.
 Read first Time

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 28^o Februarii 1765^o

Ferry Bill read a Second Time—
 The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing three Ferries at particular Places therein mentioned was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.
 And committed

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 1^o Martii 1765

House in Com-
mittee on Ferry
Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee upon the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing three Ferries at particular Places therein mentioned.

After some Time

Bill amended.

The House was resumed, And M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 2^o Martii 1765^o

Amendmts.
to Ferry Bill
reported fm.
Committee—

Agreed to.

M^r Powell from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing three Ferries at particular places therein mentioned which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 4th Martii 1765^o

Ferry Bill read
a third Time—

And passed
wth. Amend-
mts.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing three Ferries at particular Places therein mentioned was read a third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 5° Martii 1765°

Bill fm. Coms.
House for
building Fort &
Barracks in St.
Paul's Parish
&c.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Crooke That the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for building a Fort and Barracks within the same in the Parish of S^t Paul, a Guard House in Savannah, and repairing the Barracks in Fort George in the Town of Frederica on the Island of S^t Simon and for appointing and impowering Commissioners to issue Certificates for the said Purposes.

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: for grant-
ing certain
Duties in aid of
general Tax—

Also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty certain Duties therein mentioned and for applying the same in Aid of the general Tax: To both which Bills they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House And the said Bills were severally read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Both Bills read
1st Time.

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 6° Martii 1765°

Fort Bill read a
second Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for building a Fort and Barracks within the same in the Parish of S^t Paul, a Guard House in Savannah, and repairing the Barracks in Fort George

in the Town of Frederica on the Island of Saint Simon and for appointing and empowering Commissioners to issue Certificates for the said Purposes; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

And committed ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole house.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to morrow.

Duty Bill read
2d Time— The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty certain Duties therein mentioned and for applying the same in Aid of the general Tax; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

And committed ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Friday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 7^o Martii 1765^o

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
for building a
Fort &c. The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for building a Fort and Barracks within the same in the Parish of S^t Paul a

Guard House in Savannah, and repairing the Barracks in Fort George in the Town of Frederica on the Island of St Simons and for appointing and empowering Commissioners to issue Certificates for the said Purposes.

After some Time

Bill amended.

The House was resumed, and Mr Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to morrow.

Bill presented
to prevent
spreading of
Small Pox—

Read first Time

Mr Elliott presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act for effectually preventing the spread of the Small Pox by Inoculation in this Province, And the same was received and read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to morrow.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by Mr Simpson in the following Words viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
desiring Con-
ference on
Amendmts. to
Ferry Bill—

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act for establishing three Ferries at particular Places therein mentioned, have agreed to some and disagreed to others and therefore this House desires you will be pleased to appoint a Committee of your House to join a Committee of this House in a Conference upon the Subject matter of the said Amendments and if your Honours

please to join therein this House desires you'll appoint your Number Time and Place.

Commons House of Assembly

March 7th 1765^o

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 7th March 1765.

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
agreeing to
Conference

In answer to your Message desiring a Conference on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled an Act for establishing three Ferries at particular Places therein mentioned, This House doth agree to the said Conference and hath appointed a Committee accordingly to meet in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber immediately.

Committee James Edward Powell, Gray Elliott, James Read and Lewis Johnson Esq^r

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 8^o Martii 1765^o

Amendmts.
to Fort Bill
reported—

M^r Powell from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for building a Fort and Barracks within the same in the Parish of S^t Paul a Guard House in Savannah and repairing the

Barracks in Fort George in the Town of Frederica on the Island of S^t Simon and for appointing and empowering Commissioners to issue Certificates for the said Purposes: Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

Small Pox Bill read a second Time. The Bill intituled an Act for effectually preventing the spread of the small Pox by Inoculation in this Province was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

and committed. ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Wednesday next.

Duty Bill in Committee. The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty certain Duties therein mentioned and for applying the same in Aid of the general Tax.

After some Time

Reported wth. out Amendmt. The House was resumed And M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a third Time on Tuesday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 9^o Martii 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 11^o Martii 1765^h

Bill fm. Coms.
House to amend
an Act to pre-
vent private
Persons from
purchasing
Lands from the
Indians &c.—

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick
Houston that the Commons House have passed a Bill
intituled an Act to amend an Act intituled an Act to
prevent private Persons from purchasing Lands from the
Indians and for preventing Persons trading with them:
without License to which they desire the Concurrence of
this Honourable House And the said Bill was read the
first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to
Morrow.

Fort Bill read
third Time

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
an Act for building a Fort and Barracks within the same
in the Parish of S^t Paul a Guard House in Savannah and
repairing the Barracks in Fort George in the Town of
Frederica on the Island of S^t Simon and for appointing
and empowering Commissioners to issue Certificates for
the said Purposes; was read a third Time.

and Passed
with Amend-
ments—

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the
Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Petition of
sevl. Inhabitants
touching Lands
claimed by Sr.
Wm. Baker—

A Petition of several Inhabitants of the said Province was presented to the House and read setting forth that they had had allotted them several Tracts of Land in the said Province the Major part of which Allotments were made during the Government of the Trustees for establishing the Colony of Georgia and for which they had since obtained his Majesty's Grants That with equal Surprise and Concern they were informed the said Lands were said to be claimed by Sir William Baker Knight under a Grant from the Proprietors of South Carolina prior to the Division and Settlement of this Province That some of them had their Lands allotted them as a Recompence for their Services in the Province and others who had been Soldiers in General Oglethorpe's late Regiment disbanded here had had each of them a Tract of fifty Acres within the Limits claimed as aforesaid ordered them in Consequence of his Majesty's Instructions at the Reduction of that Regiment That it appeared several of the Farm Lots laid out at the first Settlement of the Province and annexed to the Town Lots in Savannah and conveyed by the Trustees to several Persons in Trust for the Freeholders of the said Town were also within the said Claim That the Village of Vernonburgh in Particular the greatest Part of which was included in the said Claim had been laid out in small Tracts to several of the Petitioners or their Ancestors whose unwearied and continued Industry had been employed in improving the Soil so barren, that without the effectual Efforts they had made would scarce be fit for any Purpose of Cultivation That the Majority of them were Persons in midling and many of them in low Circum-

stances the chief of whose Substance was their Lands and the Improvements thereon erected at the Expence and by the hard manual Labour of themselves and their forefathers for upwards of thirty Years That should they be turned off from their respective Habitations not only themselves (many of them bending under the Weight of Years and Infirmities) would be reduced to the lowest Ebb of Distress and Want but their helpless and in many Instances numerous Families must inevitably become sharers therein That the Petitioners could not but observe as they were ignorant of that claim they must be cleared of any voluntary Incroachment upon the Lands said to be claimed by the said Sir William Baker They having taken up and improved their several Allotments upon the repeated Encouragement given to induce Settlers to come into the Province the Error and Misconduct, if any must therefore in Justice be imputed to those who made the Allotments That the Petitioners confiding in the often experienced Tenderness and Attention of their most gracious Sovereign to the Interest of his meanest and most remote Subjects begged Leave to pray that the Honourable House duly weighing the melancholy situation they were in with Respect to their Property would please to give Directions to the Provincial Agent concerning the Premises and strongly recommend it to him to lay their Case in the most respectful manner before his sacred Majesty or such Boards as might be necessary to procure them that Relief it might be thought to deserve.

Resolved That this House will instruct the Committee of Correspondence to direct the Agent to solicit Relief in the Premises.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 12^o Martii 1765^o

Duty Bill read
third Time— The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty certain Duties therein mentioned and for applying the same in Aid of the General Tax was read a third Time.

And Passed. Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Crooke in the following Words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 12th March 1765

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coma. House
desiring Con-
ference on the
Amendmts.
made to the
Fort Bill— This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act for building a Fort and Barracks within the same in the Parish of S^t Paul a Guard House in Savannah, and repairing the Barracks in Fort George in the Town of Frederica on the Island of St Simon, and for empowering Commissioners to issue Certificates for the said Purposes; have agreed to some and disagreed to others; And therefore this House desires you will be pleased to appoint a Committee of your House to join a Committee of this House upon a Conference on the Subject Matter of the said Amendments, and if your Honours please

to join therein this House desires you will appoint your Number Time and Place.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act intituled an Act to prevent private Persons from purchasing Lands from the Indians and for preventing Persons trading with them without License; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

And committed ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Thursday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 13^o Martii 1765^o

House in Committee on Small Pox Bill— The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act for effectually preventing the Spreading of the Small Pox by Inoculation in this Province.

After some Time

Reported without Amendt. The House was resumed. And M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Ordered to be
ingrossed.

ORDERED That the Bill be ingrossed.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 13th March 1765

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
agreeing to
Conference on
Amendmts.
made to Fort
Bill—

In Answer to your Message desiring a Conference on the Amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled an Act for building a Fort and Barracks within the same in the Parish of S^t Paul a Guard House in Savannah and repairing the Barracks in Fort George in the Town of Frederica on the Island S^t Simon, and for empowering Commissioners to issue Certificates for the said Purposes; This House doth agree to the said Conference and hath appointed a Committee accordingly to meet in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber immediately.

Committee

The Hon^{ble} { Ja^s Edw^d Powell } Esq^{rs}
 { Grey Elliott }
 { James Read }

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 14^o Martii 1765^o

Small Pox Bill
read a Third
Time—

The ingrossed Bill Intituled an Act for effectually preventing the spreading of the small Pox by Inoculation in this Province was read a third Time.

And Passed. Then the Question was put "Whether the Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and desire their Concurrence thereto.

**Bill to amend
Indian Act in
Committee—**

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act intituled an Act to prevent private Persons from Purchasing Lands from the Indians and for preventing Persons trading with them without Licence.

After some Time

**Reported with-
out Amendmt.**

The House was resumed and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

**Read a Third
Time—**

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time.

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

And Passed.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick

**Ordinance ap-
pointing Col-
lector of Coun-
try Duties at
Sunbury &
Waiter at Sa-
vannah—**

Houstoun that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance for appointing Francis Lee Esq^r Comptroller and Collector of the Country Duties at the Port of Sunbury, and for appointing Daniel Nunes Waiter for the Port of Savannah in this Province to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House. And the said Ordinance was read three several Times.

**Read three
Times**

And Passed

Then the Question was put “Whether this Ordinance shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Ordinance and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

**A Bill for
Coms. House
additional to
Act to suppress
Lotteries &c—**

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Simpson; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an additional Act to an Act intituled an Act to suppress Lotteries and prevent other excessive and deceitful Gaming.

**A Bill for
Coms. House
additional to
Act for regu-
lating Taverns
&c.**

And also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an additional Act to an Act intituled an Act for the better regulating Taverns Punch Houses and Retailers of Spirituous Liquors— To both which Bills they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House And the said Bills were severally read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

**Both Bills read
first Time.**

ORDERED That the said Bills be severally read a second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 15^o Martii 1765^o

Bill additional
to Act to pre-
vent Lotteries
&c. read a sec-
ond Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an additional Act to an Act intituled an Act to suppress Lotteries and prevent other excessive and deceitful Gaming was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

And committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next.

Bill additional
to Act for reg-
ulating Tav-
erns &c. read
second Time

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Additional Act to an Act intituled an Act for better regulating Taverns, Punch Houses, and Retailers of spirituous Liquors was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed.

And committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 16^o Martii 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 18^o Martii 1765^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put
Additional Bill
to the Lottery
Act in Commit-
tee— into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Com-
mons House intituled an additional Act to an Act intit-
uled an Act to Suppress Lotteries and prevent other ex-
cessive and deceitful Gaming.

After some Time

The House was resumed and M^r Powell reported that
Reported with-
out Amend-
ment. the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he
was directed to report the same to the House without
any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Read third
Time

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time.

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

And passed

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall
pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons
House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill

and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

House in Committee on additional Bill to Tavern Act.

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an additional Act to an Act intituled an Act for better regulating Taverns, Punch Houses and retailers of spirituous Liquors.

After some Time

Reported with. out Amendmt.

The House was resumed and Mr Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Read a Third Time.

ORDERED That the said Bill be now read a third Time.

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

And passed.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Bill to lease Spring and Watch House read a second Time—

The ingrossed Bill, from the Commons House intituled an Act to impower Commissioners to lease or Let for a certain Term of Years the Lot of Land commonly called the Spring near Savannah and to rent the Building in Savannah commonly called the Watch House; and to appropriate the Moneys arising therefrom; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be now put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

House in
Committee
upon the said
Bill.

The House was accordingly adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

After some Time

Bill amended

The House was resumed and M^r Read reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the report be received to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 19^o Martii 1765^o

Mr. Read from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to impower Commissioners to lease or let for a certain Term of Years the Lot of Land commonly called the Spring near Savannah and to rent the Building commonly called the Watch House and to appropriate the Moneys arising therefrom;

Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Morrow

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Simpson; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for raising and granting to his Majesty the Sum of One Thousand five hundred and ninety nine Pounds Seven Shillings and one Penny half Penny Sterling for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1765 to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned and for the more effectually collecting of Arrears; to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House, And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a second Time—

And the Bill was accordingly read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 20^o Martii 1765^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to impower Commissioners to lease of let for a certain Term of Years the Lot of Land commonly called the Spring near Savannah, and to rent the Building in Savannah commonly called the Watch House, and to appropriate the Moneys arising therefrom; was read a third Time—

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto—

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houstoun; that the Commons House have agreed to the Bill intituled an Act for effectually preventing the spreading of the small Pox by Inoculation in this Province with some Amendments to which Amendments they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for raising and granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand five hundred ninety nine Pounds Seven Shillings and One Penny half Penny Sterling for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1765 to be raised at certain Rates and after the method therein mentioned And for the more effectual collecting of Arrears;

After some Time,

The House was resumed, And M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table—

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time—

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time—

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 21^o Martii 1765^o

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments made by the Commons House to the Bill intituled an Act for effectually preventing the spreading of the small Pox by Inoculation in this Province; Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House—

RESOLVED That the Title of the Bill be an Act to

amend an Act to prevent as much as may be the spreading of the small Pox in this Province—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery acquainting them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their House to the said Bill—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 22° Martii 1765°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 23° Martii 1765°

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 25° Martii 1765°

The Bill passed this Present Session of general Assembly intituled an Act for the better strengthening and

settling of this Province by compelling the several Persons who claim to hold Lands within the same under any Grant or Grants from his Majesty witnessed by the Governour of South Carolina to bring or send into this Province a Number of white Persons or Negroes in Proportion to the Lands they claim to hold agreeable to his Majesty's royal Instructions for granting Lands and to cultivate and improve the same; and for the better ascertaining the said several Tracts of Land by regulating the Surveys and marking the Lines thereof, and recording the several Plots in the Surveyer general's Office; Also for registering and docquetting such Grants in the other proper Offices in this Province; being of the utmost Importance to the Welfare of this Province—

RESOLVED That this House do give Instructions to the Committee of Correspondence to direct the Agent to solicit in the strongest Manner his most gracious Majesty's royal Allowance of the said Act—

It appearing to the House that some Parts of the Act of Parliament of great Britain passed in the fourth Year of his present Majesty's Reign intituled an Act for granting certain Duties in the British Colonies and Plantations in America; for continuing amending and making perpetual an Act passed in the sixth Year of the Reign of his late Majesty King George the Second (intituled an Act for the better Securing and encouraging the Trade of his Majesty's Sugar Colonies in America); for applying the Produce of such Duties and of the Duties to arise by Vertue of the said Act towards defraying the Expences of defending protecting and securing the said Colonies and Plantations; for explaining an Act made in the Twenty fifth Year of the Reign of King Charles the Second (intituled an Act for the Encouragement of the Greenland and Eastland Trades and for the better securing the Plantation Trade); and for altering and disal-

lowing several Drawbacks on Exports from this Kingdom, and more effectually preventing the clandestine Conveyance of Goods to and from the said Colonies and Plantations, and improving and securing the Trade between the same and great Britain; may greatly affect the Trade of this Province—

RESOLVED That this House do give Instructions to the Committee of Correspondence to direct the Agent to make proper Application for Redress of such Parts of the said Act as particularly affect the Trade of this Province and fully instruct him on that Head; And that he doth act in Concert, so far, with any Agent or Agents of the northern Province—

His Excellency the Governor came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber immediately; And M^r Speaker with the Commons House attending his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bills, viz^t,

An Act for the better ordering the Militia of this Province—

An Act to amend an Act to prevent Persons throwing Ballast or Rubbish or falling Trees into the Rivers and navigable Creeks within this Province and for keeping clear the Channels of the same—

An Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers—

An Act for raising a Fund by an Impost on Shipping to defray the Expence of keeping in Repair or rebuilding the Light House and Pilot House on Tybee Island—

An Act to extend and enforce the authority of the several Laws therein mentioned to and throughout the Territory lately annexed to this Province for dividing the same into Parishes and for adding the Island of Jekyl to the Parish of S^t James—

An Act to prevent Frauds and Abuses in the admeasuring and laying out his Majesty's Lands in this Province

An Act to continue several Acts of the general Assembly therein mentioned to prevent Masters of Vessels from carrying off Persons in Debt to continue the several Road Acts and an Act to prevent Stealing Horses and neat Cattle—

An additional Act to an Act intituled an Act to suppress Lotteries and prevent other excessive and deceitful Gaming—

An Act for the better strengthening and settling of this Province by compelling the several Persons who claim to hold Lands within the same under any Grant or Grants from his Majesty witnessed by the Governor of South Carolina to bring or send into this Province a Number of white Persons or Negroes in Proportion to the Lands they claim to hold agreeable to his Majesty's royal Instructions for granting Lands and to cultivate and improve the same and for the better ascertaining the said several Tracts of Land by regulating the Surveys and marking of the Lines thereof and recording the several Plots in the Surveyor Generals Office also for registering and docquetting such Grants in the other proper Offices in this Province—

An additional Act to an Act intituled an Act for the better regulating Taverns, Punch Houses, and Retailers of Spirituous Liquors—

An Act to impower Commissioners to lease or lett for a certain Term of Years the Lot of Land commonly called the Spring near Savannah and to rent the Building in Savannah commonly called the Watch House and to appropriate the Moneys arising therefrom—

An Ordinance appointing William Knox Esquire Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain—

An Act for granting to his Majesty a Duty on the sundry Articles therein mentioned that shall hereafter be imported from any of his Majestie's Colonies to the Northward of the Province of South Carolina and for appropriating the Money arising therefrom in Aid of the General Tax—

An Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One Thousand Five hundred and ninety nine Pounds seven Shillings and one Penny half-penny Sterling for the Use and support of the Government of Georgia for the Year One Thousand seven hundred and sixty five to be raised at certain Rates and after the method therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Ar-rears—

An Act for building a Fort, and Barracks within the same on the Lands reserved for the Use of the Public near the Town of Augusta in the Parish of S^t Paul a Guard House in Savannah and repairing the Barracks in the Fort in the Town of Frederica on the island of Saint Simon and for granting to his Majesty the Sum of Six hundred and fifty Pounds Sterling to defray the Expence of the same Also for appointing and empowering Commissioners to issue Certificates for the said Purposes—

An Act to Amend an Act entituled an Act to prevent

Persons from purchasing Lands from the Indians and for preventing Persons trading with them without a Licence—

An Act to amend an Act entituled an Act to prevent much as may be the spreading of the Small Pox in this Province—

An Ordinance for appointing Francis Lee Esquire Comptroller and Collector of the Country Duties at the Port of Sunbury and for appointing Daniel Nunes Waite: for the Port of Savannah in this Province—

After which his Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses as follows viz^t

Honorable Gentlemen

Mr Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly

Before I put an End to this Session, I must return you my Thanks so justly due for the Attention you have given to the several Matters recommended by me; And Gentlemen altho' I have now assented to several very beneficial and useful Laws, yet let me observe to you, that the real benefit of all Laws, howsoever wisely they are framed, chiefly depends upon the due and regular Execution of them. I must therefore in the strongest manner request and recommend it to you who have any Share in the executive Power to exert yourselves in all such Matters as may come within your Province to execute, and to enforce an Impartial and steady Observation of the many good Laws not only now but which have been heretofore Enacted. a General Supineness in the Execution thereof being but too evident

JA: WRIGHT

And then his Excellency prorogued the General Assembly until Tuesday the twenty fifth Day of June next—

And this House accordingly adjourned until Tuesday the twenty fifth Day of June next Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon

(From State Archives.)

On the seventeenth Day of June 1765 his Excellency was pleased to issue his Proclamation further Proroguing the general Assembly until Tuesday the twenty second Day of October following—

Journal of the upper House met in general Assembly on Tuesday the 22^d October 1765—

Being the second Session of the fifth general Assembly in and for the Province of Georgia appointed to meet in Savannah—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 22^o October 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 23^o Octobris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'til to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 24^o Octobris 1765^o

His Excellency the Governour came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber immediately: And M^r Speaker with the Commons House attending his Excellency made a Speech to both Houses And then left the House—

M^r President reported that his Excellency the Governour had made a Speech to both Houses of which M^r President said, to prevent Mistakes, he had obtained a Copy which was read to the House and is as follows, viz^t,

Honourable Gentlemen

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly,

Amidst the Blessings of Peace, let us give our Attention to such Objects as may best increase the Strength and Wealth of this valuable and thriving Colony; we have good Lands but want Inhabitants to cultivate and improve them; Every possible Means and Assistance therefore should be used and given to attain this desirable End, and invite good Settlers to come amongst Us: And it

gives me great Pleasure to have it in my Power to inform you that, in Consequence of a Reserve made of Land for a Township on ————Ogechee River, about One hundred and forty Miles from Savannah, a considerable Number of industrious, reputable, protestant Families are willing, and ready, to come over, from Ireland, to this Province, to settle on those Lands; Provided they can be assisted towards paying their Passage out, and in some other little Matters, also have their Lands exempted from the provincial Tax for a reasonable Time—

The many and great Advantages that will result to the Province by having a Settlement of a Number of sober, regular, and industrious, Families in that Part of the Countrey, are so evident that it is needless for me even to hint at them; I shall lay before you a Sketch of the Expence, and propose a Method by which, I hope, the Assistance desired may be easily given: And doubt not but you will go as far, on this Occasion, as the Nature of it deserves consistent with the present Situation and Circumstances of the People—

The Encouragement and Ease of Trade and Navigation also deserves our serious Attention in so-far as it lies in our Power to give Assistance; I must therefore recommend to your Consideration the Improvement of the Navigation of our River, at least that you will fall on effectual Means to prevent it's growing worse, by the great Quantities of Earth and Sand that, in rainy Seasons, washes and breaks down into it from the Bluff before the Town, and which must in a short Time considerably affect and injure the Navigation: It likewise seems expedient to make some Addition to the Law for regulating Pilots, by which the Commissioners may be further impowered and enabled to compel them to be more attentive to, and vigilant in, the Discharge of their Duty. These, and any other proper Measures that may appear necessary or

Useful towards the Advancement of the public Weal, I shall most heartily concur with you in, and am certain I need not use any Arguments to induce you to set about them with a becoming spirit; nor mention, on this Occasion, Harmony and Temper; but give me leave to recommend Dispatch which must, doubtless, render the Session more agreeable and pleasant to every Person concerned—

Gentlemen of the Assembly—

I shall direct an Account of the Produce of the last Years Tax to be laid before you, and the usual Estimate for the Service of the current Year, which I must request you to provide for in such Manner as you may judge most agreeable to your Constituents—

JA: WRIGHT.

*Savannah in Georgia, Council Chamber, 24th October
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RESOLVED, Nemine dissentiente, That an Address of Thanks be drawn up and presented to his Excellency the Governour for his affectionate Speech to both Houses—

ORDERED That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address of Thanks to his Excellency the Governour upon the said Resolution; And that M^r Elliott M^r Powell and M^r Graham be the Committee—

ORDERED That his Excellency the Governour's Speech be referred to the said Committee—

Then the House adjourned during Pleasure and the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to his Excellency withdrew for that Purpose; After some Time the House was resumed, And M^r Elliott from the said Committee reported that they had prepared an Address

accordingly which he was directed to report when the honourable House will be pleased to receive the same—

ORDERED That the Report be now received—

And M^r Elliott read the same in his Place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table where the Address was read and agreed to by the House—

ORDERED That the Address be ingrossed—

ORDERED That M^r Powell and M^r Graham do wait on his Excellency the Governour to know when he will please to be attended by this House with their Address—

And then the House adjourned until four o'Clock in the Afternoon—

Die Jovis post Merediem—

M^r Powell reported that his Excellency the Governour having been waited on, pursuant to Order, to know when he would receive this House with their Address, had been pleased to appoint four o'Clock this Afternoon—

The ingrossed Address to his Excellency the Governour being read,

ORDERED That M^r President do sign the same, and that the Address be entered in the Journals—

To his Excellency James Wright Esq^r Captain-general and Governour in chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia—

The humble Address of the upper House of Assembly—

May it please your Excellency,

We his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council of Georgia in general Assembly met beg Leave to return your Excellency our Thanks for your Speech to both Houses—

As the better Settlement and Improvement of——— Trade of this Province are Objects of a very interesting Nature We shall with the greatest Cheerfulness readily concur in the Measures recommended by your Excellency which so manifestly tend to promote both; And we shall in that, and every Part of our Conduct, endeavour to proceed with Unanimity and Dispatch—

Then the House adjourned during Pleasure to attend his Excellency the Governour and present their Address—

And being returned,

The House was resumed, And M^r President reported that the House had attended his Excellency and presented their Address which he received very kindly and was pleased to give the following Answer, viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen,

I thank you for this Address, by which you so intirely approve of the Measures proposed by me, and declare your Readiness to concur in carrying them into Effect—

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 25° Octobris 1765°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 26° Octobris 1765°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 28° Octobris 1765°

M^r Powell presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act to explain and amend an Act for the better regulating Taverns Punch Houses and Retailers of spiritous Liquors: And the same was received and read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow—

M^r Elliott presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act for the better Security of the Inhabitants of this Province by obliging the male white Persons within the same to carry fire Arms to all Places of public Worship: And the same was received and read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow—

M^r Jones presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act for amending an Act for holding special or extraordinary Courts of Common Pleas for the Trial of Causes arising between Merchants Dealers and others and Ship-masters Supercargoes and other transient Persons: And the same was received and read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 29^o Octobris 1765^o

The Bill intituled an Act to explain and amend an Act for the better regulating Taverns Punch Houses and Retailers of Spiritous Liquors; was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow—

The Bill intituled an Act for the better Security of the Inhabitants of this Province by obliging the male white Persons within the same to carry fire Arms to all Places of public Worship; was read a second Time—

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And it being proposed that the Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow—

The Bill intituled an Act for amending an Act for holding special or extraordinary Courts of Common Pleas for the Trial of Causes arising between Merchants Dealers and others and Ship-masters Super-cargoes and other transient Persons; was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 30^o Octobris 1765^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act to explain and amend an Act for the better regulating Taverns. Punchhouses and Retailers of spiritous Liquors;

After some Time,

The House was resumed, and M^r Powell reported that

the Committee had gone thro' the Bill, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment; And he delivered the Bill in at the Table—

ORDERED That the Bill be ingrossed—

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act for the better Security of the Inhabitants of this Province by obliging the male white Persons within the same to carry fire Arms to all Places of public Worship;

After some Time

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment; And he delivered the Bill in at the Table—

ORDERED That the Bill be ingrossed—

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act for amending an Act for holding special or extraordinary Courts of common Pleas for the Trial of Causes arising between Merchants Dealers and others and Ship-masters Super-cargoes and other transient Persons;

After some Time,

The House was resumed, and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment; And he delivered the Bill in at the Table—

ORDERED That the Bill be ingrossed—

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houstoun;

That the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to punish Seamen or Mariners neglecting or deserting their Duty on Board their respective Ships or Vessels, and for preventing Seamen or Mariners from being harboured or running in Debt; to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House: And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 31^o Octobris 1765^o

The ingrossed Bill intituled an Act to explain and amend an Act for the better regulating Taverns, Punch Houses and Retailers of spiritous Liquors was read a third Time—

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass."

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and desire their Concurrence thereto—

The ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for the better Security of the Inhabitants of this Province by obliging the male white Persons within the same to carry fire Arms to all Places of public Worship was read a third Time—

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and desire their Concurrence thereto—

The ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for amending an Act for holding special or extraordinary Courts of Common Pleas for the Trial of Causes arising between Merchants Dealers and others and Ship-masters Super-cargoes and other transient Persons was read a third Time—

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass."

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and desire their Concurrence thereto—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to punish Seamen or Mariners neglecting or deserting their Duty on Board their respective Ships or Vessels, and for preventing Seamen or Mariners from being harboured or running in Debt; was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 1^o Novembris 1765^o

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson; That the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for the establishing and regulating Patrols, and for preventing any Person from purchasing Provisions or any other Commodities from any Slave unless such Slave shall produce a Ticket from his or her Owner Manager or Employer; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House; And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Second Time on Monday next—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to punish Seamen or Mariners neglecting or deserting their Duty on Board their respective Ships or Vessels, and for preventing Seamen or Mariners from being harboured or running in Debt;

After some Time

The House was resumed, and M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment; And he delivered the Bill in at the Table—

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a Third Time—

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time—

And the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 2^o Novembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 4^o Novembris 1765^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing and regulating Patrols and for preventing any Person from purchasing Provisions or any other Commodities from any Slave unless such Slave shall produce a Ticket from his or her Owner Manager or Employer was read a Second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Friday next—

And then the House adjourned 'till
Wednesday Morning Eleven o'Clock to
Morrow being a State Holyday—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 6^o Novembris 1765^o

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houstoun; that the Commons House have agreed to the Bill intituled an Act to explain and amend an Act for the better regulating Taverns Punch Houses and Retailers of spiritous Liquors without any Amendment—

Also that the Commons House have agreed to the Bill intituled an Act for amending an Act for holding special or extraordinary Courts of Common Pleas for the Tryal of Causes arising between Merchants Dealers and others and Ship Masters Super Cargoes and other transient Persons with an Amendment to which Amendment they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House—

And that the Commons House have also agreed to the Bill intituled an Act for the better Security of the Inhabitants of this Province by obliging the male white Persons within the same to carry fire Arms to all places of public Worship, with several Amendments to which Amendments they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House—

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendment made by the Commons House to the Bill

intituled an Act for amending an Act for holding special or extraordinary Courts of Common Pleas for the Tryal of Causes arising between Merchants Dealers and others and Ship-masters Super-cargoes and other transient Persons; Which Amendment being read twice was agreed to by the House—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 7^o Novembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 8^o Novembris 1765^o

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Amendments made by the Commons House to the Bill intituled an Act for the better Security of the Inhabitants of this Province by obliging the male white Persons within the same to carry Fire Arms to all Places of public Worship; Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery acquainting them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their

House to the said Bill; And also hath agreed to the Amendment made by their House to the Bill intituled an Act for amending an Act for holding special or extraordinary Courts of Common Pleas for the Trial of Causes arising between Merchants Dealers and others and Ship-masters Super-cargoes and other transient Persons—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee upon the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the establishing and regulating Patrols and for preventing any Person from purchasing Provisions or any other Commodities from any Slave unless such Slave shall produce a Ticket from his or her Owner Manager or Employer;

After some Time,

The House was resumed; And M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendm^{ts} thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same—

ORDERED That the Report be received on Monday next—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 9^o Novembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 11^o Novembris 1765^o

M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bills from the Commons House intituled an Act for the establishing and regulating Patrols and for preventing any Person from purchasing Provisions or any other Commodities from any Slave unless such Slave shall produce a Ticket from his or her Owner Manager or Employer: Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House—

It is resolved That the Title of the Bill be an Act for the establishing and regulating Patrols, and for preventing any Person from purchasing Provisions or any other Commodities from, or selling such to, any Slave unless such Slave shall produce a Ticket from his or her Owner Manager or Employer—

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a Third Time—

And the Bill was accordingly read a Third Time—

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative —

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 12° Novembris 1765°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 13° Novembris 1765°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 14° Novembris 1765°

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Andrew Johnson, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to impower the several Commissioners or Surveyers hereafter named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are herein after mentioned and directed, and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out, and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House; And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Second Time on Tuesday next—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 15^o Novembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 16^o Novembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 18^o Novembris 1765^o

His Excellency the Governour came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the deputy Secretary, in the absence of the Master in Chancery, requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber immediately; And M^r Speaker with the Commons House

attending his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bill, viz^t,

An Act for establishing and regulating Patrols and for preventing any Person from purchasing Provisions or any other Commodities from or selling such to, any Slave unless such Slave shall produce a Ticket from his or her Owner Manager or Employer—

And then his Excellency left the House—

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Noble Wimberly Jones in the following Words, viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 15th November 1765

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

This House hath come to a Resolution to give Instructions to the Committee of Correspondence to acquaint William Knox Esq^r Agent of this Province that the Province has no further Occasion for his Service—

And also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for the Relief of Debtors who may be confined in Goal and are unable to support themselves during their Confinement to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House: And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 19^o Novembris 1765^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the several Commissioners or Surveyers hereafter named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are herein after mentioned and directed and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions; was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Thursday next—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the Relief of Debtors who may be confined in Goal and are unable to support themselves during such their Confinement; was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 20^o Novembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 21^o Novembris 1765^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to impower the several Commissioners or Surveyers hereafter named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are herein after mentioned and directed, and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions;—

After some Time,

The House was resumed, And M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same—

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 22° Novembris 1765°

Mr Elliott from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the several Commissioners or Surveyers hereafter named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are herein after mentioned and directed, and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions: Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Monday next—

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houstoun: that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for amending an Act for regulating the Pilotage of Vessels into the several Ports of this Province, to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House: And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Monday next—

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 23^o Novembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 25^o Novembris 1765^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the several Commissioners or Surveyers hereafter named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are hereinafter mentioned and directed, and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions; was read a Third Time—

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the Relief of Debtors who may be confined in Goal and are unable to support themselves during such their Confinement;

After some Time;

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same—

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for amending an Act for regulating the Pilotage of Vessels into the several Ports of this Province was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Wednesday next—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 26^o Novembris 1765^o

M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the Relief of Debtors who may be confined in Goal and are unable to support themselves during such their Confinement; Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Third Time on Monday next

M^r Elliott presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act to prevent Frauds and Deceits in Selling Beef Pork Pitch Tar and Fire wood; which was received and read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Second Time to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 27^o Novembris 1765^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for amending an Act for regulating the Pilotage of Vessels into the several Ports of this Province—

After some Time

The House was resumed, And M^r Read reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same—

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow—

The Bill intituled an Act to prevent Frauds and De-

ceits in selling Beef Pork Pitch Tar and Firewood was read a Second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed--

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 28^o Novembris 1765^o

M^r Read from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for amending an Act for regulating the Pilotage of Vessels into the several Ports of this Province; Which Amendm^{ts} being read twice were agreed to by the House—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Third Time on Tuesday next—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act to prevent Frauds and Deceits in selling Beef Pork Pitch Tar and Firewood;

After some Time,

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that

the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table—

ORDERED That the Bill be Ingrossed—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 29^o Novembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 3^o Novembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 2^o Decembris 1765^o

The ingrossed Bill intituled an Act to prevent Frauds and Deceits in selling Beef, Pork, Pitch, Tar, and Firewood, was read a third Time—

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and desire their Concurrence thereto—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the Relief of Debtors who may be confined in Goal and are unable to support themselves during such their Confinement; was read a Third Time—

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

And it was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto—

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson in the following Words, viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly 2^d Dec^r 1765

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act to empower the several Commissioners or Surveyers hereinafter named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are herein after mentioned and directed; and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid

cut, and also the Rivers and Creeks within the several and respective Divisions: have agreed thereto—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 3^o Decembris 1765^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for amending an Act for regulating the Pilotage of Vessels into the several Ports of this Province, was read a third Time—

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 4^o Decembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 5^o Decembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 6^o Decembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 7^o Decembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 9^o Decembris 1765^o—

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 10^o Decembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 11^o Decembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 12^o Decembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 13^o Decembris 1765^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 14^o Decembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 16^o Decembris 1765^o

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houston; That the Commons House have agreed to the Bill intituled an Act for preventing Frauds and Deceits in selling Beef Pork Pitch Tar and Firewood, with some Amendments to which Amendments they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House—

Also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for the further Continuance of an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle and for the more effectual Discovery and Punishment of such Persons as shall unlawfully brand mark or kill the same; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House: And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Wednesday next—

And then the House adjourned 'till to-
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 17^o Decembris 1765^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 18^o Decembris 1765^o

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Robert Baillie, that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance for appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury in this Province—

Also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for establishing a Ferry from the Plantation of Miles Brewton Esq^r near Savannah to the Plantation of Jermyn and Charles Wright Esquires called Rochester in the Province of South Carolina and for vesting the same in the said Miles Brewton his Executors Admin^{rs} and Assigns for and during the Term of Seven Years; to both which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House—

The Ordinance from the Commons House for appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury in this Province was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Ordinance be read a second Time to Morrow—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled

an Act for establishing a Ferry from the Plantation of Miles Brewtôn Esquire near Savannah to the Plantation of Jermyn and Charles Wright Esq^r called Rochester in the Province of South Carolina, and for vesting the same in the said Miles Brewton his Executors Administrators and Assigns for and during the Term of seven Years; was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the further Continuance of an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle and for the more effectual Discovery and Punishment of such Persons as shall unlawfully brand mark or kill the same; was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed---

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 19^o Decembris 1765^o

The Ordinance from the Commons House for appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury in this Province was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Ordinance be committed—

ORDERED That the same be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance on the Sixteenth Day of January next—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing a Ferry from the Plantation of Miles Brewton Esquire near Savannah to the Plantation of Jermyn and Charles Wright Esquires called Rochester in the Province of South Carolina, and for vesting the same in the said Miles Brewton his Executors Administrators and Assigns for and during the Term of Seven Years; was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on the Sixteenth Day of January next—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the further Continuance of an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle and for the more effectual Discovery and Punishment of such Persons as shall unlawfully brand mark or kill the same;

After some Time.

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that

the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment; And he delivered the Bill in at the Table—

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a Third Time—

And the Bill was accordingly read a Third Time—

And the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment—

M^r President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governor signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House, and he delivered it in at the table where the same was read and is as follows, viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

I have observed in the Journals of the Commons House of Assembly that they have come to a Resolution to direct such of their Members as are of the Committee of Correspondence to acquaint M^r Knox the present Agent that the Province hath no further Occasion for his Service as Agent—I don’t know whether you have concurred with these Gentlemen in Sentiment, or whether it may be your Opinion that there is no Occasion for any Agent after the Time for which M^r Knox is appointed expires; but if it should be thought necessary to have an Agent, and you don’t approve of continuing the present, give me Leave to recommend Richard Cumber-

land Esq^r to you for that Purpose, a Gentleman perfectly conversant in the Business of an Agent, well known and respected at the several Offices, and for whose Abilities and Integrity I can be answerable—

JA: WRIGHT 19th Dec^r 1765

ORDERED That the above Message from his Excellency be taken under Consideration on Monday the third Day of March next—

M^r President also informed the House that he had another Message from his Excellency the Governor sign'd by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House and he delivered it in at the Table where the same was read and is as follows, viz^t

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

I now adjourn the upper House of Assembly untill Tuesday the fourteenth Day of January next then to meet for the Dispatch of Business; and the same is accordingly hereby adjourned until that Time—

JA: WRIGHT

Sav^h in Georgia 19th Dec^r 1765

To the Hon^{ble} James Habersham Esq^r }
 President and the Hon^{ble} Members of }
 his Majesty's Council—

ORDERED That all Orders and Resolutions be adjourned over to that Day—

And this House accordingly adjourned 'till Tuesday Morning the fourteenth Day of Jan^{ry} Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 14^o Januarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 15^o Januarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 16^o Januarii 1766^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ordinance from the Commons House for appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury in this Province—

After some Time,

The House was resumed and M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Ordinance and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same—

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow—

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing a Ferry from the Plantation of Miles Brewton Esq^r near Savannah to the Plantation of Jermyn and Charles Wright Esq^{rs} called Rochester in the Province of South Carolina and for vesting the same in the said Miles Brewton his Executors Administrators and Assigns for and during the Term of Seven Years—

After some Time

The House was resumed and M^r Johnson reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same—

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 17^o Januarii 1766^o

M^r Powell from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the Ordinance from the Commons House for appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury in this Province; Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House—

ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a Third Time—

And the said Ordinance was accordingly read a third Time—

Then the Question was put “Whether this Ordinance with the Amendm^{ts} shall pass?”

And it was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Ordinance and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto—

M^r Johnson from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendment made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing a Ferry from the Plantation of Miles Brewton Esq^r near Savannah to the Plantation of Jermyn and Charles Wright Esq^{rs} called Rochester in the Province of South Carolina, and for vesting the same in the said Miles Brewton his Executors Administrators and Assigns for and during the Term of Seven Years; Which Amendment being read twice was agreed to by the House—

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time—

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time—

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto—

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the

Amendments made by the Commons House to the ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for preventing Frauds and Deceits in selling Beef Pork Pitch Tar and Firewood;

And several of the Amendments being read twice were agreed to—

ORDERED That the further Consideration of the said Amendments be adjourned—

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houstoun; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to enable the Commissioners appointed by an Act of the general Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging to alien and convey to the honourable William Simpson Esq^r his Heirs and Assigns forever a certain Part of the said Common in Exchange for Part of a Lot of Land adjoining the same; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House: And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Monday next—

M^r President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governor, signed by his Excellency, which he was directed to lay before this House, and he delivered it in at the Table where the same was read and is as follows, viz^t,

Honourable Gentlemen.

Captain Alleck having been fully impowered by the upper and lower Creek Indians to sell his Plantation at S^t^a Seville, and to agree with me upon an Alteration of

the Line between us and the Lands reserved for their hunting Grounds, I have settled the same with him, and send you the original Agreement for your Perusal—

The Consideration agreed upon with Alleck is a Negro who run away from M^r John Calwell and came to the Possession of Alleck on the River near the Indian Nation, as he says; for this Negro and the Loss of a Years Work M^r Calwell asks 60*£*—to which I told him I would lay the Matter before you for your Consideration and Determination thereupon—

Captain Alleck informed me that there is about Eleven Run-away Negroes in the Indian Nation and I have stipulated with him that they shall be delivered up to the Traders in the Towns where they are; and for each Negro so delivered the Indians to have a Cag of Rum at the Place of Delivery—

I must also acquaint you, Gentlemen, that Captain Alleck has made a Demand upon me to fulfill a Promise made him by Governor Ellis in Consideration of Services performed by him at the Request of Governor Ellis in the Time of the Indian Alarm. Alleck says the Promise was Thirty Head of Cattle, and M^r Nunes remembers the Thing. I have just now some Assurances from Alleck with Respect to Satisfaction for the Murders, agreeable to a Talk now going from me to the Nation on that Occasion, and therefore am of Opinion that enabling me to perform Governour Ellis's Promise will at this Time Answer a very good Purpose—

JA: WRIGHT—

Savannah in Georgia

17th Jan^{ry} 1766—

RESOLVED Nemine dissentiente That this House will readily and cheerfully concur with the Commons House

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in every Provision they may make for the several Services recommended by his Excellency in the said Message—

RESOLVED That an humble Address be presented to his Excellency the Governour acquainting his Excellency with the foregoing Resolution—

ORDERED That M^r Powell and M^r Johnson do present the said Address—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 18^o Januarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 20^o JJanuarii 1766^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to enable the Commissioners appointed by an Act of the general Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for regulating the Town of Savannah and ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging to alien and convey to the honourable William Simpson Esquire his Heirs and Assigns for ever a certain Part of the said

Common in Exchange for Part of a Lot of Land adjoining the same; was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 21^o Januarii 1766^o

The House resumed the adjourned Consideration of the Amendments made by the Commons House to the ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for preventing Frauds and Deceits in selling Beef Pork Pitch Tar and Firewood; and the other Amendments to the said Bill being read twice were agreed to by the House—

RESOLVED That the Title of the Bill be an Act for preventing Frauds and Deceits in selling Beef Pork Fitch Tar Turpentine and Firewood—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery acquainting them that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by their House to the said Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put

into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to enable the Commissioners appointed by an Act of the general Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging to alien and convey to the honourable William Simpson Esq^r his Heirs and Assigns forever a certain Part of the said Common in Exchange for Part of a Lot of Land adjoining the same—

After some Time

The House was resumed, and M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table—

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time—

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time—

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 22° Januarii 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 23° Januarii 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 24° Januarii 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 25° Januarii 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 27^o Januarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 28^o Januarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 29^o Januarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 30^o Januarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 31^o Januarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 1^o Februarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 3^o Februarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 4^o Februarii 1766^o

M^r President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House

and he delivered it in at the Table where the same was read and is as follows, viz^t,

"I do hereby adjourn the upper house of Assembly until Tuesday the Eleventh Day of this instant February then to meet for the Dispatch of Business; and the said House is accordingly adjourned until that Time"—

JA: WRIGHT—

4th Feb^r 1766

To the Honourable the President }
and Members of his Majesty's Council }

ORDERED That all Orders and Resolutions be adjourned over to that Day—

And then the House adjourned until Tuesday the Eleventh Day of February instant Eleven o'Clock— in the four-noon—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 11^o Februarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 12^o Februarii 1766^o

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houston; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for encouraging Settlers to come into the Province & for granting to his Majesty the Sum of 1815 £ S^{ts} to be issued in Certificates by the Commissioners herein named for the said Purpose; And also for rebuilding the Court House in Savannah in Consequence of an Act of the general Assembly passed the 29th Day of February 1764 to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House: And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Friday next—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 13^o Februarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 14 ° Februarii 1766°

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for encouraging Settlers to come into the Province and for granting to his Majesty the Sum of 1815 £ St^e to be issued in Certificates by the Commissioners herein named for the said Purpose And also for rebuilding the Court House in Savannah in Consequence of an Act of the general Assembly passed the 29th. Day of February 1764 was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to amend an Act for the better regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging and also to authorize and empower the Church wardens and Vestry of the Parish of Christ Church to appoint a Beadle for the Purposes herein mentioned; and to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House: And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Monday next—

And then the House adjourned 'till to-morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 15^o Februarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 17^o Februarii 1766^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for encouraging Settlers to come into the Province, and for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand Eight hundred and fifteen Pounds Sterling to be issued in Certificates by the Commissioners herein named for the said Purpose; And also for rebuilding the Court House in Savannah in Consequence of an Act of the general Assembly passed the 29th Day of February 1764—

After some Time,

The House was resumed, and M^r Johnson reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on the 25th Instant—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act for the better regulating

The Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging, And also to authorize and empower the Church Wardens and Vestry of the Parish of Christ Church to appoint a Beadle for the Purposes herein mentioned was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 18^o Februarii 1766^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act for the better regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging And also to Authorize and empower the Church Wardens and Vestry of the Parish of Christ Church to appoint a Beadle for the Purposes herein mentioned;

After some Time,

The House was resumed, and M^r Read reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report.

when the honourable House will please to receive the same —

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 19^o Februarii 1766^o

M^r Read from the Committee of the Whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act for the better regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging; and also to authorize and impower the Church Wardens and Vestry of the Parish of Christ Church to appoint a Beadle for the Purposes herein mentioned: Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Third Time to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 20^o Februarii 1766^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act for the Better regulating

the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging, and also to authorise and impower the Church Wardens and Vestry of the Parish of Christ Church to appoint a Beadle for the Purposes herein mentioned was read a third Time—

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto —

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to amend an Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers: to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 21^o Februarii 1766^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons. House intituled an Act to amend an Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province, and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers; was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 22^o Februarii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 24^o Februarii 1766^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers;

After some Time,

The House was resumed, and M^r Read reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same—

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 25^o Februarii 1766^o

M^r Read from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers: Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by

the House And an Amendment was made by the House to the Bill—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Third Time to Morrow—

Whereas in all Bills granting Sums of Money to his Majesty wherein Commissioners have been appointed to issue Certificates to discharge the services thereby directed it hath been the uniform and unvaried Practice in the Commons House of Assembly to leave a Blank for this House to nominate a certain Proportion of the said Commissioners; And whereas a Bill intituled an Act for encouraging Settlers to come into this Province, and for granting to his Majesty the Sum of Eighteen hundred and fifteen Pounds Sterling to be issued in Certificates &c is now depending before this House, and the said Commons House having filled up the whole Number of Commissioners this House notwithstanding they have, merely to forward so useful a Bill, waved the Right they claim on the Occasion, It is Resolved that the waving their Right in this Instance shall not be pleaded in Precedent, but that the Right of appointing a certain Proportion of Commissioners in such Cases ever has been the constant Practice, and yet is the undoubted Privilege, of the upper House of Assembly of this Province and which they will always assert—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for encouraging Settlers to come into the Province and for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand Eight hundred and fifteen Pounds Sterling to be issued in Certificates by the Commissioners herein named for the said Purpose; And also for rebuilding the Court House in Savannah in Consequence of an Act of the general Assembly passed the 29th Day of February 1764; was read a Third Time—

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendments—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Doe Mercurii 26° Februarii 1766°

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province, and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers; was read a Third Time—

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 27^o Februarii 1766^o

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houstoun; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand nine hundred and twenty five Pounds Six Shillings and One Penny ———— Sterling for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty six to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned, And for the more effectual collecting of Ar-rears to which they desire the Concurrence of this hon^{ble} House And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow—

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Noble Wimberly Jones in the following Words, viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly 26th Feb. 1766

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act to amend an Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers; do agree thereto—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 28^o Februarii 1766^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting his Majesty the Sum of One thousand nine hundred and twenty five Pounds six Shillings and one Penny Sterling for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty six to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned, and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears; was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House —

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 1^o Martii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 3^o Martii 1766^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand nine Hundred and twenty five Pounds six Shillings and one Penny Sterling for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty six to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned, and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears;

After some Time,

The House was resumed, and M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table—

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time—

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time—

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment—

The House proceeded to take under Consideration his Excellency the Governour’s Message to this House of

the 19th December last respecting an Agent for this Province—

RESOLVED That the following Address be presented to his Excellency the Governour in Answer to his said Message— viz^t,

To his Excellency James Wright Esq^r Captain General and Governour in chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia—

The Humble Address of the upper House of Assembly—

May it please your Excellency,

We his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council of Georgia in general Assembly met having taken into Consideration your Excellency's Message of the 19th December last beg Leave to acquaint your Excellency that this House have not concurred with the Commons House in acquainting William Knox Esq^r the present Agent that the Province hath no further Occasion for his Services as Agent; and that if it should be thought proper to appoint any other Person after M^r Knox's Time as Agent is expired this House will pay the utmost Regard to your Excellency's Recommendation of Richard Cumberland Esq^r—

ORDERED That M^r Powell and M^r Johnson do wait on his Excellency and present the said Address—

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 4^o Martii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 5^o Martii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 6^o Martii 1766^o

RESOLVED That the Thanks of this House be given to William Knox Esq^r Agent for this Province for his faithful Services in that Station, and that M^r President be requested to make the same known to him, and to assure him that his Conduct as Agent has met with the intire Satisfaction of this House —

His Excellency the Governour came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber immediately; And M^r Speaker with the Commons House attending, his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bills viz^t,

An Act to punish Seamen or Mariners neglecting or deserting their Duty on Board their respective Ships or Vessels and for preventing Seamen or Mariners being harboured or running in Debt —

An Act for the better Security of the Inhabitants of this Province by obliging the male white Persons within the same to carry fire Arms to all Places of public Worship—

An Act to explain and amend an Act for the better regulating Taverns Punch Houses and Retailers of spiritous Liquors—

An Act for amending an Act for holding special or extraordinary Courts of common Pleas for the Trial of Causes arising between Merchants Dealers and others, Ship-masters Supercargoes and other transient Persons—

An Act to empower the several Commissioners or surveyers hereafter named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are herein after mentioned and directed, and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions—

An Act for the Relief of Debtors who may be confined in Goal and are unable to support themselves during such their Confinement—

An Act for amending an Act for regulating the Pilotage of Vessels into the several Ports of this Province—

An Act to prevent Frauds and Deceits in selling Beef Pork Pitch Tar Turpentine and Firewood —

An Act for the further Continuance of an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle and for the more effectual Discovery and Punishment of such Persons as shall unlawfully brand mark or kill the same—

An Act for appointing Packers or Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury in this Province—

An Act for establishing a Ferry from the Plantation of Miles Brewton Esq^r near Savannah to the Plantation of Jermyn and Charles Wright Esq^{rs} called Rochester in the Province of South Carolina and for vesting the same in the said Miles Brewton his Exer^{ts} Admin^{rs} and Assigns for and during the Term of seven Years—

An Act to enable the Commissioners appointed by an Act of the General Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging to alien and convey to the Honourable William Simpson Esq^r his Heirs and Assigns for ever a certain Part of the said Common in Exchange for a Part of a lot of Land adjoining the same—

An Act to amend an Act for the better regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging and also to authorise and empower the Church-wardens and Vestry of the Parish of Christ Church to appoint a Beadle for the Purposes therein mentioned—

An Act for encouraging Settlers to come into the Province and for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand Eight hundred and fifteen Pounds Sterling to be issued in Certificates by the Commissioners herein named for the said Purpose; And also for the rebuilding the Court House in Savanah in Consequence

of an Act of the general Assembly passed the 29th Day of February 1764—

An Act to amend an Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers—

An Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand nine hundred and twenty five Pounds six Shillings and one Penny Sterling for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty six, to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears—

After which his Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses as follows, viz^t,

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly —

I have very cheerfully concurred with you, and assented to every Bill you have proposed during this Session; and doubt not but the Province will receive all those Advantages that may be reasonably expected from Laws so prudently calculated and well intended—

But before we part, let me in the strongest Manner recommend it to you to endeavour to rectify and remove the gross Errors and ill grounded Prejudices which some misguided People have been lately led into by Men who can neither be Friends to their King, their Countrey, or to Society; also to promote Peace Harmony and good Order amongst us, which is not only our Duty but our Interest to do: let us shew that Decency and Submission to our most gracious Sovereign and his Authority which he has a Right to expect from us, and let us confide in

the Justice of the Mother Countrey for Relief, if we are aggrieved, which will in reality prove us to be loyal good and wise Subjects —

Gentlemen,

I think from your Knowledge of my Conduct, and the Views I have had, for upwards of five Years that I have been Governour here, you will not consider what I now say as meer Words, or Matter of Form, or Course, proceeding from an Officer of the Crown; for altho' I will at every Hazzard discharge my Duty to the Crown and the Trust reposed in me, as I conceive a faithful Servant and honest Man ought to do, yet, believe me, I am at this Time more particularly actuated to say what I have by a true Zeal and Regard for the Welfare and Prosperity of this Province and its Inhabitants: who I am most anxious to save from every Kind of Inconvenience and Distress —

JA: WRIGHT—

And then his Excellency prorogued the general Assembly until Tuesday the Eighth Day of July next—

And then the House adjourned until Tuesday the Eighth Day of July Next Eleven o'Clock in the forenoon—

(From State Archives.)

GEORGIA

Journal of the upper House convened
in general Assembly by Proclamation on
Monday the Sixteenth Day of June
1766—

Die Lunæ 16^o Junii 1766^o

M^r President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House; And he presented the same accordingly and the said Message was read and is as follows, viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

The excessive Rains and Inundation that happened about the Middle of last Month having done considerable Damage not only to the Corn in Store but to the Crops on the Ground and their appearing to be very great Scarcity of Provisions throughout the Province I have with your Advice issued a Proclamation for calling the Assembly to consult what may be necessary to be done on this Occasion; and must now recommend to your Consideration whether it may not be expedient to prevent the Exportation of Rice from this Province for a certain Time, or subject to such Provisoos or Conditions as may be judged proper: And also to authorise the Governour with the Advice and Consent of his Majesty's Council by Proclamation to restrain the Exportation of Indian Corn at such Times as it rises to a certain Price, or there may be an Appearance of real Want or Distress from the Scarcity of Corn in the Province. And although a Prohibition to export the principal Comodity or Article of

Produce and Trade in any Province ought not to be but on very mature Deliberation and in the most extraordinary or necessitous Cases, yet when threatened with real Want and Distress it may be prudent so to do—

JA: WRIGHT—

Sav^a 16th June 1766

RESOLVED That this House deeply sensible of the Expediency of the Matters recommended by his Excellency in the foregoing Message will readily and chearfully concur with the Commons House in every Measure that may tend effectually to prevent the Exportation of Rice and other Provisions from this Province for a limited Time—

RESOLVED That an humble Address be presented to his Excellency the Governour acquainting his Excellency with the said Resolution—

ORDERED That M^r Johnson and M^r Powell do present the said Address —

And then the House adjourned till five o'Clock in the Afternoon—

Die Lunæ post Merediem

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to prohibit for a certain Time the Exportation of clean Rice rough Rice Wheat Flower, Ship Bread Corn and Pease from the Province of Georgia; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House: And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a Second Time—

And the Bill was accordingly read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow—

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning nine o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 17^o Junii 1766^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prohibit for a certain Time the Exportation of clean Rice rough Rice Wheat Flower Ship Bread Corn and Pease from the Province of Georgia—

After some Time,

The House was resumed; And M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table—

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a Third Time—

And the Bill was accordingly read a Third Time—

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass?

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning nine o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 18^o Junii 1766^o

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson; that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance directing and empowering the Commissioners therein named to purchase a Quantity of Rice at a certain Price and to retail the same for the Use of the Public; to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House: And the same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time—

ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a Second Time—

And the said Ordinance was accordingly read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Ordinance be committed—

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ORDERED That the Ordinance be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance immediately—

Accordingly the House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance—

After some Time,

The House was resumed; And M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Ordinance and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and delivered the Ordinance in at the Table—

ORDERED That the said Ordinance be now read a third Time—

And the same was accordingly read a third Time—

Then the Question was put “Whether this Ordinance shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Ordinance and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment—

And then the House adjourned 'till five o'Clock in the Afternoon—

Die Mercurii post Merediem—

His Excellency the Governor came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master

in Chancery requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber immediately; And M^r Speaker with the Commons House attending, his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bills viz^t,

An Act to prohibit for a certain Time the Exportation of clean Rice, Rough Rice, Wheat Flower, Ship Bread, Corn and Pease from the Province of Georgia—

An Ordinance directing and empowering the Commissioners therein named to purchase a Quantity of Rice at a certain Price and to retail the same for the Use of the Public—

And then his Excellency left the House—

M^r President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House and he delivered the same in at the Table where the same was read and is as follows, viz^t,

Honourable Gentlemen

I do hereby adjourn the upper House of Assembly until Monday the tenth Day of November next then to meet for the Dispatch of Business, and it is accordingly adjourned until Monday the tenth Day of November next Given under my hand at Savannah this Eighteenth Day of June 1766

JA: WRIGHT—

To the Hon^{ble} President and Members
of the upper House of Assembly—

And this House accordingly adjourned until Monday the tenth Day of November next Eleven o'Clock in the forenoon—

(From State Archives.)

Journal of the upper House convened in general Assembly by Proclamation on Tuesday the 15th Day of July 1766—

Die Martis 15^o Julii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii 16^o Julii 1766^o

His Excellency the Governor came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber immediately: And M^r Speaker with the Commons House attending his Excellency made a Speech and then left the House—

M^r President reported that his Excellency the Governor had made a Speech to both Houses, of which M^r President said, to prevent Mistakes he had obtained a Copy; which was read to the House and is as follows viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen of the Council—

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly—

I was hopeful that I should not have had any Occasion to call you together again 'till the usual Season of the Year for our Meeting in Order to raise the necessary annual Supplies and frame such Bills as might seem expedient for the public Welfare and good Order amongst

Us; but having received a Letter from the Right Honourable M^r Secretary Conway with his Majesty's Commands to lay some Matters before you has occasioned

Attendance tho' at an unseasonable and disagreeable Time of the Year—

—And I have now Gentlemen the Pleasure to communicate to you the highest Marks; the strongest and clearest Regard of the best of Kings for the Happiness and Prosperity of his American Subjects and Colonies; and of true Magnanimity and Generosity in the british Parliament: And on this Occasion I think myself happy that I have it in my power to congratulate you on this Province having no Injuries or Damages either of a public or private Nature (with Respect to Property) to compensate; and that you Gentlemen of the Assembly have no Votes or Resolutions injurious to the Honour of his Majesty's Government; or tending to destroy the legal and constitutional Dependency of the Colonies on the imperial Crown and Parliament of great Britain, to Reconsider: I say, Gentlemen, these are Points that give me and I dare say must give you the greatest Satisfaction—

When you consider the Papers I shall now lay before you I am persuaded your Hearts must be filled with the highest Veneration and filial Gratitude, and with a most ardent Zeal to declare and express your grateful Feelings and Acknowledgments; and to make a dutiful and proper Return and show a chearful Obedience to the Laws and legislative Authority of great Britain for the very extraordinary Lenity Tenderness and Indulgence shown and extended by the Mother Country—

JA: WRIGHT—

Savannah in Georgia

Council Chamber 16th July 1766.

RESOLVED, *Nemine dissentiente*, That an Address of Thanks be drawn up and presented to his Excellency the Governour for his affectionate Speech to both Houses—

ORDERED That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address of Thanks to his Excellency the Governour upon the said Resolution and that M^r Johnson, M^r Powell and M^r Read be the Committee—

ORDERED That his Excellency the Governour's Speech be referred to the said Committee—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 17^o Julii 1766^o

M^r Johnson from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address of Thanks to his Excellency for his Affectionate Speech to both Houses reported that the Committee had prepared an Address accordingly which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same—

ORDERED That the Report be now received—

And M^r Johnson read the same in his Place and afterwards delivered it in at the table where the Address was read and with some Amendments was agreed to by the House—

ORDERED That the Address be ingrossed—

ORDERED That M^r Powell and M^r Read do wait on his Excellency the Governour to know when he will please to receive this House with their Address—

And then the House adjourned 'till four o'Clock in the Afternoon—

Die Jovis post Merediem—

M^r Powell reported that his Excellency the Governour had been waited on, pursuant to Order, to know when he would receive this House with their Address had been pleased to appoint five o'Clock this Afternoon—

The ingrossed Address to his Excellency the Governour being read,

ORDERED That M^r President do sign the same and that the Address be entred in Journals—

To his Excellency James Wright Esq^r Captain General and Governour in chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia—

The Humble Address of the upper House of Assembly—

May it please your Excellency

We his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council of Georgia in general Assembly met beg Leave to return your Excellency our cordial Thanks for your Speech delivered to both Houses—

We will with Pleasure embrace the Opportunity your Excellency has now given Us to express our grateful Sentiments to our most gracious Sovereign for that distinguishing Mark of his royal Favour and paternal

Tenderness to his American Subjects so eminently conspicuous in the Repeal of the Stamp Act; and to acknowledge the just Sense we have of the Magnanimity and Generosity of the british Parliament on that Occasion—

We are highly obliged to your Excellency for laying before Us some Matters contained in the Right Hon^{ble} M^r Secretary Conway's Letter and it is a pleasing Reflection to us that this Province has no Injuries or Damages either of a public or private Nature (with Respect to Property) to compensate—

On Perusal of the Papers your Excellency was so kind as to lay before Us, we are touched with the highest Sense of Gratitude and Veneration for the recent Proof our Mother Countrey has given of Lenity and Indulgence to the American Colonies: And do with Sincerity declare our dutiful and constitutional Acquiescence and Obedience to the Laws and legislative Authority of great Britain—

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning ten o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris 18^o Julii 1766^o.

M^r President reported that the House had attended his Excellency the Governour and presented their Address which he received very kindly and was pleased to give the following Answer viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

I return you my sincere Thanks for this Address which shows such a becoming Spirit of Gratitude to his most sacred Majesty for his Royal Favour and paternal Tenderness, and also declares the just Sense you have of the Magnanimity and Generosity of the british Parliament for the extraordinary Lenity and Indulgence lately extended to the American Colonies—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to amend and continue an Act intituled an Act to prevent the bringing into and spreading of contagious Distempers in this Province; and to oblige Vessels going out of any Port within the same..... that Purpose a Pass port from the Governour or Commander in Chief for the Time being; and also to prevent the harbouring others; to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

ORDERED That the said Bill be now read a second Time—

And the Bill was accordingly read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House—

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Edward Barnard in the following Words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 18th July 1766

Honourable Gentlemen—

This House having come to a Resolution to transmit to great Britain an humble Address to his Majesty expressive of the most dutiful Acknowledgements of this House for his paternal and princely Attention in Redressing the Grievances of his faithful and loyal Subjects in America; this House desires the Concurrence of your House therein, and that you will appoint a Committee of your House to join a Committee of this House to prepare the said Address—

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 18th July 1766

M^r Speaker

In Answer to your Message of this Day desiring this House will appoint a Committee to join a Committee of your House in preparing an humble Address to his Majesty expressing the most dutiful Acknowledgements for his paternal and princely Attention in redressing the Grievances of his faithful and loyal Subjects in America; this House doth agree thereto and hath appointed a Committee accordingly to meet in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber at five o'Clock this afternoon—

Committee Grey Elliott, James Read and John Graham Esq^r

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati 19^o Julii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 21^o Julii 1766^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis 22^o Julii 1766^o

M^r Elliott from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of the Commons in preparing an Address to his Majesty expressing the most dutiful Acknowledgements for his paternal and princely Attention in redressing the Grievances of his faithful and loyal Subjects in America; Reported that the joint Committee had prepared an Address accordingly And M^r Elliott read the same in his Place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table where the Address was read—

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Vincent in the following Words, Viz^t,

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

This House having taken into Consideration the Address of both Houses to his Majesty (as reported from the late Redress of the Grievances of his American Subjects; hath made some Amendments thereto, to which they desire the Concurrence of your House—

Commons House of Assembly

22^d July 1766—

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words, viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 22^d July 1766

M^r Speaker

In Answer to your Message this House doth agree to the Amendments made by your House in the Address prepared by a Committee of both Houses to his Majesty on the late Redress of the Grievances of his American Subjects—

ORDERED That the Address be ingrossed and entered in the Journals as follows, viz^t,

To the King's most Excellent Majesty

The humble Address of both Houses of Assembly
of the Province of Georgia—

Most gracious Sovereign—

We your Majesty's loyal Subjects the Council and Commons of your Majesty's Province of Georgia in general Assembly met beg Leave to approach your royal Person with Hearts full of the most dutiful Affection and Gratitude—

Influenced by Principle and animated by your Majesty's exemplary Justice and paternal Care in redressing the Grievances of your faithful Subjects in these remote Parts of your wide-extended with the deepest Sense of your Majesty's Royal Clemency and Goodness We humbly offer to your most sacred Majesty our sincere Thanks for the Repeal of the late Act of the British Parliament commonly called the American Stamp Act: Nor can we sufficiently revere the Magnanimity and Justice displayed by the british Parliament on this Occasion—

Permit us, dread Sir, while we endeavour to express our Gratitude to the best of Kings for affording us so speedy and necessary Relief, to assure your Majesty that we shall upon all Occasions strive to evince our Loyalty and firm Attachment to your Majesty's sacred Person and Government being truly sensible of the Advantages derived to us from the Protection of our Mother Country and that it is and ever will be our Honour Happiness and true Interest to remain connected with and dependent on the Imperial Crown and Parliament of great Britain upon the solid Basis of the British Constitution—

That your Majesty's illustrious House may continue to reign over a free loyal and grateful People to the latest Posterity is most gracious Sovereign our constant Prayer, unfeigned Wish, and our most sanguine Hope—

The ingrossed Address to his Majesty being read—

ORDERED That M^r President do sign the same—

ORDERED That M^r Read do join a Member of the Commons House to present the said Address to his Excellency the Governour desiring he will be pleased to transmit the same to the Right Honourable Henry Sey-

mour Conway Esq^r One of his Majesty's principal Secretary's of State in Order that the said Address may be laid before his Excellency the Governour.

Mr President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House and he delivered it in at the Table where the same was read and is as follows, viz^t,

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

I do hereby adjourn the upper House of Assembly until Monday the tenth Day of November next then to meet for the Dispatch of Business; And it is accordingly adjourned to Monday the tenth Day of November next—

Given under my Hand at Savannah this 22^d Day of July 1766—

JA: WRIGHT—

To the Hon^{ble} the President and
Members of the upper House
of Assembly }

ORDERED That all Orders and Resolutions be adjourned over to that Day

And this House accordingly adjourned until Monday the tenth Day of November next Eleven o'Clock in the forenoon—

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

GEORGIA

Journals of the upper House met in General Assembly from Monday the tenth Day of November 1766 to the twenty sixth Day of March, 1767.

CHA^s WATSON C. G. A.

Rec^d August 15. 1767.

Great Seal taken off by S. B.

GEORGIA

Journal of the upper House met in general Assembly on Monday the tenth Day of November 1766. Being the third Session of the fifth general Assembly in and for the Province of Georgia appointed to meet in Savannah.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 10^o Novembris 1766^o.

His Excellency the Governor came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber; And M^r Speaker with the Commons House attending, his Excellency made a Speech to both Houses and then left the House.

M^r President reported that his Excellency the Governor had made a Speech to both Houses of which M^r

President said, to prevent Mistakes he had obtained a Copy; which was read to the House and is as follows, viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen,

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly.

His Excellency,
the Govern-
our's Speech to
both Houses—

The several Acts passed in the last Session of Parliament transmitted to me by his Majesty's Ministers and so evidently calculated to promote the Trade and true Happiness and Prosperity of the American Colonies are such strong Instances of the Concern and tender Regard shewn Us by his most sacred Majesty and the British Parliament, as I am confident will raise an Ardour in Us to embrace every Opportunity of manifesting our Duty Respect and Gratitude to so good and gracious a Sovereign and our Affection and Attachment to the Mother Country. And this our happy Situation and Prospect will afford us Time and Inclination to consider what may be necessary and proper for us to do for our more immediate and internal Welfare.

And Health being a most desirable and valuable Blessing, every one must be disposed to contribute towards the Attainment and Continuance of it and as we now begin to have Importations of considerable Cargoes of Negroes from Africa it becomes very necessary to guard against any contagious Diseases being brought amongst Us by Negro Ships; I must therefore recommend it to your Consideration whether a Lazaretto should not be built at some convenient Place within the Entrance of the River where Ships can lie in Safety, and the Negroes be easily landed and aired, and where such as are distemper'd may remain for such Time as shall be found necessary.

It appears to me that no Lands can be more suitable for Hemp than our Cane Brakes and high River Swamps

as well as other Lands in this Province it's Culture and Management perfectly easy and it's Produce extremely profitable; and altho' we may not be able at present to give any Bounty or considerable Encouragement towards the Introduction of that valuable Commodity into this Province; yet if a Quantity of Seed was to be purchased and delivered by the Commissary (Gratis) to such as are disposed to plant and make a Tryal it would doubtless be an Inducement to several to begin the Attempt and the Expence to the Province very small It will give me great Pleasure to concur with you in these or any other Matters that may appear of public Utility or tend to promote the true Interest of this Province.

As several very necessary and salutary Laws will expire with this Session of Assembly I must recommend to you a careful Inquiry and Examination into this Matter that they may be continued or altered as may seem most expedient.

Gentlemen of the Assembly

I shall direct the Treasurer to furnish you with an Account of the Produce of the last Year's Tax and shall send you an Estimate for the service of the current Year which I am certain you will chearfully provide for in such Manner as may appear to you most convenient.

Gentlemen

It is a great Satisfaction to me that I have nothing extraordinary to ask or any new Matter of considerable Expence to propose; and I perswade myself that our Business will be carried with that Unanimity and Dispatch which must make it easy and agreeable to us all.

JA: WRIGHT—

Savannah in Georgia

Council Chamber 10th of November 1766

RESOLVED Nemine Dissentiente That an Address of Thanks be drawn up and presented to his Excellency the Governour for his affectionate Speech to both Houses.

Committee
appointed to
draw up an
Address of
thanks.

ORDERED That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address of Thanks to his Excellency the Governor upon the said Resolution And that M^r Powell M^r Elliott and M^r Mackay be the Committee.

ORDERED That his Excellency the Governor's Speech be referred to the said Committee,

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 11^o Novembris 1766

M^r Powell from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to his Excellency the Governor reported that the Committee had prepared an Address accordingly which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will be pleased to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now received.

And M^r Powell read the Address in his Place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table when the same was read and agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Address be ingrossed.

ORDERED That M^r Powell and M^r Mackay do wait on his Excellency the Governour to know when he will please to receive this House with their Address.

M^r Powell reported that his Excellency the Governour having been waited on pursuant to Order to know when he would receive this House with their Address had been pleased to appoint four o'clock in the Afternoon.

Die Martis post Merediem.

The ingrossed Address to his Excellency the Governour being read.

ORDERED That M^r President do sign the said Address and that the same be entred in the Journals.

To his Excellency James Wright Esq^r Captain General and Governour in Chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia—

The humble Address of the upper House of Assembly.

May it please your Excellency

We his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council of Georgia in general Assembly met, beg leave to return your Excellency our unfeigned thanks for your affectionate Speech to both Houses of Assembly.

Address to his
Excellency.

With the utmost Gratitude we receive from your Excellency the pleasing Account of the several Acts passed in the last Session of Parliament so evidently calculated to promote the Trade and true Happiness and Prosperity of the American Colonies such strong Instances of the Concern and tender Regard shewn for Us by his most sacred Majesty cannot fail of raising in Us that becoming Ardour so necessary to induce Us to embrace every Opportunity of manifesting our Duty Respect and Grati-

tude to so gracious a Sovereign and our Affection and Attachment to the Mother Country: And we shall cheerfully avail ourselves of this our happy Situation by contributing all in our Power to further whatever may be immediately necessary for our internal Welfare.

We thank your Excellency for your Care in recommending the building a Lazaretto at a convenient Place within the Entrance of the River, a Measure so indispensibly requisite for the Preservation of that most invaluable Blessing Health to the good People of this Province as it will be the Means of preventing any contagious Diseases being brought in by Ships from Africa or elsewhere.

We render your Excellency our sincere Acknowledgements for your kind Endeavours to promote the Commerce and Prosperity of this Infant Colony, by proposing an Encouragement for the Culture of Hemp an Article so well adapted to the Lands of this Country, and which must considerably extend the Trade Navigation and Wealth of this Province.

We shall pay due Regard and Attention to what your Excellency is pleased to mention of the several very necessary and salutary Laws that will expire with this Session of Assembly and shall with Alacrity concur in every Measure that can in any Shape conduce to the Health Utility and Advantage of this Province.

Council Chamber
11th Nov^r 1766

The House adjourned during Pleasure to attend his Excellency the Governour and present their Address.

And being returned.

The House was resumed, And M^r President reported that the House had attended his Excellency and presented their Address which he received very kindly and was pleased to give the following Answer viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen,

His Excellency's Answer to the Address—

I very sincerely thank you for this Address so expressive of Duty and Gratitude to our most gracious Sovereign and of your Affection and Attachment to the Mother Country which are Matters that afford me great Satisfaction. And I am extremely obliged to you for the favourable Opinion you are pleased to entertain of my Conduct.

M^r President also informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House And he delivered it in at the Table where the same was read and is as follows, viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

Adjournment of the House.

I do hereby adjourn the upper House of Assembly until Tuesday the second Day of December next then to meet for the Dispatch of Business; And it is accordingly adjourned to Tuesday the second Day of December next. Given under my hand at Savannah the eleventh Day of November 1766.

JA: WRIGHT—

To the President and Members of }
the upper house of Assembly }

And this House accordingly adjourned until Tuesday Morning the second Day of December next Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 2° Decembris 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 3° Decembris 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 4° Decembris 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock—

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 5° Decembris 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 6° Decembris 1766°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 8° Decembris 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 9° Decembris 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 10° Decembris 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 11° Decembris 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 12° Decembris 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 13° Decembris 1766°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 15° Decembris 1766°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(*From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.*)

Die Martis 16^o Decembris 1766^o

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: to prevent
Exportation of
Indian Corn
&c.—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to prohibit the exportation of Indian Corn and Pease until the first Day of September next and to impower the Governour or Commander in chief for the Time being by and with the Advice and Consent of the honourable Council at any Time or Times hereafter during the continuance of this Act conditionally to prohibit the exportation thereof.

and

Bill to regulate
making Cy-
press and Pine
Lumber &c.—

And also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to regulate the making Cypress and Pine Lumber Staves and Shingles and ascertaining the Quality thereof To both which Bills they desire the concurrence of this honourable House.

Bill to prevent
Exportation of
Indian Corn &c.
read 1st Time.

The Bill intituled an Act to prohibit the Exportation of Indian Corn and Pease until the first Day of September next and to impower the Governour or Commander in chief for the Time being by and with the Advice and Consent of the honourable Council at any Time or Times hereafter during the continuance of this Act conditionally to prohibit the Exportation thereof; was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

and

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a second Time.

a second Time And the said Bill was accordingly read a second Time.

a committed. And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

Bill for regulating Lumber read the first Time—

The Bill intituled an Act to regulate the making Cypress and Pine Lumber Staves and Shingles and ascertaining the Quality thereof was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 17^o Decembris 1766^o

House in Committee on Bill to prevent Exportation of Corn

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prohibit the Exportation of Indian Corn and Pease until the first day of September next and to impower the Governour or Commander in chief for the Time Being by and with the Advice and Consent of the honourable Council at any Time or Times hereafter during the continuance of this Act conditionally to prohibit the Exportation thereof.

After some Time

Reported without Amendment.

The House was resumed and M^r Jones reported that the Committte had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Friday next.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to regulate the making Cypress and Pine Lumber Staves and Shingles and ascertaining the Quality thereof; was read a second Time.

Bill to regulate
the making of
Lumber read a
2d Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 18^o Decembris 1766^o

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to put up to Sale for the Benefit of the Public the Ferry over great Ogechee River at the Place called Pine Bluff for the Term of four Years and to authorize the said Commissioners to inspect and regulate the said Ferry during the said Term; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House: And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Bill fm. Coms.
House for Sale
of the public
Ferry—

Read the first
Time.

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

House in Committee on Bill to regulate making Lumber

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to regulate the making of Cypress and Pine Lumber Staves and Shingles and ascertain the Quality thereof;

After some Time

Reported with Amendments.

The House was resumed and Mr Read reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received on the 26th January next.

Bill presented to the House to amend the Act for regulating Taverns &c.—

Read. and read first Time

Mr Elliott presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act to further amend an Act intituled an Act for the better regulating Taverns Punch Houses and Retailers of Spirituous Liquors; And the same was received and read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 19^o Decembris 1766^o

Bill for Sale of
the public
Ferry read a
second Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to put up to Sale for the Benefit of the Public the Ferry over great Ogechee River at the Place called Pine Bluff for the Term of four Years and to authorize the said Commissioners to inspect and regulate the said Ferry during the said Term; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on the 21st Day of January next.

Bill to amend
Act for regu-
lating Taverns
&c. read a
second Time—

The Bill intituled an Act to further amend an Act intituled an Act for the better regulating Taverns Punch House and retailers of Spirituous Liquors; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee on the said Bill on the 15th Day of January next.

Bill to prevent
Exportation of
Indian Corn &c.
read 3d Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prohibit the exportation of Indian Corn and Pease until the first Day of September next and to empower the Governour or Commander in chief for the Time being by and with the Advice and Consent of the

honourable Council at any Time or Times hereafter during the continuance of this Act conditionally to prohibit the Exportation thereof, was read a third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

and sent to
Commons
House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And then the House adjourned 'till four o'Clock in the Afternoon.

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Die, Veneris post Merediem.

His Excellency the
Govr. gives his
Assent to Bill
to prevent Ex-
portation of
Indian Corn
&c.—

His Excellency the Governour came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber immediately Accordingly M^r Speaker with the Commons House attending his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bill viz^t

An Act to prohibit the Exportation of Indian Corn and Pease until the first Day of September next and to empower the Governour or Commander in chief for the Time being by and with the Advice and Consent of the Honourable Council at any Time or Times hereafter during the continuance of this Act conditionally to prohibit the exportation thereof.

And then his Excellency left the House.

Mr President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before the House and he delivered it in at the Table where the same was read and is as follows viz^t

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Adjournment
of the House.

I do hereby adjourn the upper House of Assembly until Tuesday the 13th Day of January next then to meet for the Dispatch of Business And it is accordingly adjourned to Tuesday the 13th Day of January next Given under my hand at Savannah this 19th Day of December 1766.

JA: WRIGHT—

To the President and Members of }
the Upper House of Assembly }

ORDERED That all Orders and Resolutions be adjourned over to that Day.

And then the House adjourned 'till Tuesday the 13th Day of January next eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 13^o Januarii 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 14° Januarii 1767°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 15° Januarii 1767°

Bill to amend
and continue
an Act for reg-
ulating Work
Ho :

Read the first
Time

A Message from the Commons House by Mr John Simpson; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to amend and continue an Act entitled an Act for regulating a Work House for the Custody and Punishment of Negroes: to which they desire the concurrence of this honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to amend Act
for regulating
Taverns &c.—

The House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act to further amend an Act intituled an Act for the better regulating Taverns Punch Houses and Retailers of Spirituous Liquors.

After some Time.

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

and

The House was resumed, and Mr Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time.

Read a third
Time

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

and
Passed.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Sent down to
Coms. House
for Concur-
rence—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill and desire their Concurrence thereto.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 16^o Januarii 1767^o

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: to empower
Court of Pleas
to grant Writs
of Partition

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to empower the general Court of Pleas to grant Writs of Partition of Lands and Tenements held in Coparcenary joint Tenancy and Tenancy in Common in this Province and appointing the Method of Proceeding therein; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first
Time

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Monday next.

Bill to amend
and continue
Act for regu-
latg. Work
House read a
second Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to Amend and continue an Act intituled an Act for regulating a Work House for the Custody and Punishment of Negroes was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Tuesday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 17^o Januarii 1767^o

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 19^o Januarii 1767^o

Bill to impower
Court of Pleas
to grant Writs
of Partition &c
read a second
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to impower the general Court of Pleas to grant Writs of Partition of Lands and Tenements held in Coparcenary joint Tenancy and Tenancy in Common in this Province and appointing the Method of Proceeding therein; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 20^o Januarii 1767^o

M^r President informed the House that he had two Messages from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House and he delivered them in at the Table where the same were read and are as follows, viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

I must recommend to your Consideration the decayed and ruinous Condition of Fort Hallifax especially the Capioneers some of which will not stand many Months without being repaired but with a small Repair which may be made at a trifling Expence they will be useful for several Years.

Message fm.
his Excellcy. the
Govr. concern-
ing Fort Halli-
fax—

JA: WRIGHT

Savⁿ in Georgia 20th Jan^y 1767

Honourable Gentlemen

It is always with Reluctance that I mention any Matters of Expence to you but having lately received a Letter from Captain Phillips the Officer commanding the Detachment of his Majesty's Troops in this Province inclosing me a List of Necessaries allowed by the late Mutiny Act to Soldiers in America; and requesting to know

His Excellcy's
Messagere-
spectg. Nec-
essaries allowed
Soldiers in
America by
the late Mutiny
Act—

where he is to procure the same : It is my Duty to lay this Matter together with the Act of Parliament before you and to recommend it to your serious Consideration and hope you will as far as lies with you enable me to comply with the Direction contained in the said Act.

JA : WRIGHT Sav^h in Georgia
20th Jan^{ry} 1767

Extract of a Letter from Lieu^t Phillips

With Extract
of Letter from
Capt. Phillips
commg. Officer.

"I beg your Excellency will be pleased to forgive the Trouble I give you by inclosing a List of the Necessaries allowed to Soldiers wherever they are lodged in Barracks and intreat your Directions where I am to procure them for the Garrison's in your Excellency's Province.

List of Necessaries.

"A List of Necessaries for the Soldiers on the Out Posts" Candles for the Guard and Hospital, Wood for the Garrisons, Bedding and Bedsteads, Rum and Vinegar &c as ordered by the Mutiny Act. Cooking Utensils, Pots, Platters, Spoons, &c &c Axes to cut their Wood and Tables and Forms.

Signed RALPH PHILLIPS, Charles Town
January 6th 1767

Particulars of
Detachment—

The Command at Augusta an Officer a Surgeon's Mate and 20 Privates but at Present only 17 Privates. The Command at Frederica a Sergeant and 10 Privates but at present only a Corporal and 9 Privates.

Address to his
Excellency. there-
on—

RESOLVED Nemine dissentiente, That this House will readily and chearfully concur with the Commons House in every Measure that may be judged expedient to carry the severall Matters into Execution recommended by his Excellency in his said Messages.

RESOLVED That an humble Address be presented to

his Excellency the Governour acquainting his Excellency with the foregoing Resolution.

ORDERED That M^r Powell and M^r Johnson do present the said Address.

House in Committee on Bill to amend and continue Act for regulating Work House &c.—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend and continue an Act intituled an Act for regulating a Work House for the Custody and Punishment of Negroes.

After some Time

Reported without Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time.

Read a third Time.

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

Passed

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent down to Coms. House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

House in Committee on Bill to empower Court of Pleas to grant Writs of Partition &c.—

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the general Court of Pleas to grant Writs of Partition of Lands and Tenements held in Coparcenary joint Tenancy and Tenancy in

Common in this Province and appointing the Method of Proceeding therein;

After some Time

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment; and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time.

Read a third
Time

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

Passed.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent down
to Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 21^o Januarii 1767^o

Bill to purchase
Land for erect-
ing a Lazaretto

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Joseph Gibbons that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to impower the Commissioners therein named to purchase from Josiah Tatnell Esquire his Executors or Administrators One hundred and four Acres

Read the first
Time

and

of Land for the Purpose of erecting a Lazaretto upon Tybee Island; to which they desire the concurrence of this honourable House And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a second Time.

A second Time

And the Bill was accordingly read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
for Sale of
public Ferry

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to put up to Sale for the Benefit of the Public the Ferry over great Ogechee River at the Place called Pine Bluff for a Term of four Years and to authorise the said Commissioners to inspect and regulate the said Ferry during the said Term.

After some Time

Reported with
Amendmts.

The House was resumed, and M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 22° Januarii 1767°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 23° Januarii 1767°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 24° Januarii 1767°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 26° Januarii 1767°

M^r Powell from the Committee of the whole House
Amendmts. to
Bill for Sale of
public Ferry re-
ported from the
Committee. reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from
the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the
Commissioners therein named to put up to Sale for the
benefit of the Public the Ferry over great Ogechee River

at the Place called Pine Bluff for a Term of four Years and to authorise the said Commissioners to inspect and regulate the said Ferry during the said Term; Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

And agreed to
by the House—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on the 18th March next.

Amendmts. to
Bill for regu-
lating making
Lumber re-
ported from the
Committee—

M^r Read from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to regulate the making of Cypress and Pine Lumber Staves and Shingles and ascertaining the Quality thereof; Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

And agreed to
by the House.

Title of Bill
altered.

It is Resolved That the Title of the Bill be, an Act to regulate the making of Cypress Oak and Pine Lumber Staves and Shingles and ascertaining the Quality thereof.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Wednesday next.

Bill fm. Coms.
House to oblige
Inhabitants of
Sunbury to
clear the Town
and Common—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Smith; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to oblige the Inhabitants of the Town of Sunbury to clear and keep clean the several Squares Streets Lanes and Common within the same and to exempt the said Inhabitants from working upon the Roads within the Parish of S^t John to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first
Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Wednesday next.

A Message also from the Commons House by the said

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeg. to Bill
to amend Tav-
ern Bill wth. an
Amendment—

M^r Smith that the Commons House have agreed to the Bill intituled an Act to further amend an Act intituled an Act for the better regulating Taverns Punch Houses and retailers of Spirituous Liquors; with an Amendment to which Amendment they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House.

Amendmt. con-
sidered and
agreed to—

The House proceeded forthwith to take into Consideration the Amendment made by the Commons House to the said Bill, which Amendment being read twice was agreed to by the House.

Message to
Coms. Ho:
thereon—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery acquainting them that this House hath agreed to the Amendment made by their House to the said Bill.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
for purchasing
Land for a
Lazaretto—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to impower the Commissioners therein named to purchase from Josiah Tatnell Esq^r his Executors or Administrators One hundred and four Acres of Land for the Purpose of erecting a Lazaretto upon Tybee Island.

After some Time,

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Wednesday seven night.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 27^o Januarii 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 28^o Januarii 1767^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
an Act to regulate the making of Cypress and Pine Lum-
ber Staves and Shingles and ascertaining the Quality
thereof was read a third Time.

Bill for regu-
lating making
Lumber read
third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the
Amendments shall pass?"

Passed with
Amendments.

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons
House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill
and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by
this House thereto.

And sent to
Coms. Ho. se
for the Concur-
rence in
Amendments.—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
an Act to oblige the Inhabitants of the Town of Sunbury
to clear and keep clean the several Squares Streets Lanes
and Common within the same and to exempt the said In-
habitants from working upon the Roads within the Parish
of S^t John was read a second Time.

Sunbury Bill
read a Second
Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on the ninth Day of February next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 29° Januarii 1767°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 30° Januarii 1767°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 31° Januarii 1767°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 2° Februarii 1767°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 3° Februarii 1767°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 4° Februarii 1767°

Petition of the Merchants re-
specting the
Scarcity of the
Currency of
this Province—

A petition of the Merchants residing in the Province whose Names are thereunto subscribed was presented to the House and read; Setting forth that by the Act of the general Assembly of this Province for stamping imprinting issuing and making current Paper Bills of credit (which Act was confirmed by his Majesty) the amount of the Currency to be issued by Virtue thereof was limited to seven thousand four hundred and ten Pounds; That by the very great Addition of Inhabitants in the Province, as well as the extraordinary Increase of Commerce the Inequality of that Sum to the necessary Wants of Individuals was so fully evinced, that it was scarce needful to add the extension of the Province and the Settlement of East Florida (where the Currency of this Province pass in

Payment) as Reasons for a further establishment of a Currency in Georgia The many and continual Inconveniences the Petitioners laboured under from the Want of a sufficient Currency in the Province where by the peculiar Situation of its Commerce and Produce, they were precluded from the Advantage either of receiving any Quantity of Bullion, or retaining what little they might receive, They found themselves thereby incapable of carrying on Business with any Credit to themselves, or of Course to the Community, it being a Fact, past Dispute, that Men in Trade who had very considerable Debts lying out in the Hands of the best Persons in the Province could not often command the smallest Sums on the most urgent Occasions And therefore begged leave to lay before this House a Case so interesting to the Welfare of the Province Humbly hoping that on due consideration of so apparent an evil the House will for their Relief do therein what to them shall seem meet.

Petition referred to a Committee

ORDERED That the said Petition be referred to the Consideration of a Committee of this House, and that they do examine the Matter thereof and report the same as it shall appear to them, to the House.

And a Committee was appointed accordingly, namely,

Grey Elliott, James Read and James Edw^d Powell Esquires.

ORDERED That the following Message be also sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery.

M^r Speaker

A Message to Coms. House respecting said Petition—

The Petition of the Merchants in the Province, whose Names are thereunto subscribed, having been presented to this House they have appointed a Committee to consider thereof And as the Petition is addressed to both

Houses, this House requests that you will appoint a Committee of your House to join their Committee therein.

Ordinance fm. Coms. House appointg. Packers & Inspectors.
 A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson; that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance for appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury and also Cullers and Inspectors of Lumber for the said Ports: to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House.

A Message also from the Commons House by the said M^r Simpson in the following Words, viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly 4th Feb^{ry} 1767

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm. Coms. House in Answer to Message concerning Merchants Petition—
 In Answer to your Message informing this House that you had appointed a Committee to consider the Merchants Petition and requesting this House to appoint a Committee to join the Committee of your House therein this House hath appointed a Committee accordingly, namely, Sir Patrick Houstoun Bar^t William Ewen John Simpson and Robert Baillie Esq^{rs}

Ordinance appointg. Packers & Inspectors read first Time—
 The Ordinance for the Commons House for appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury and also Cullers and Inspectors of Lumber for the said Ports was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be read a second Time on Monday next.

Bill for purchasing Land to build Lazaretto read a third Time—
 The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to purchase from Josiah Tatnell Esquire his Executors or Administrators One hundred and four Acres of Land for

the Purpose of erecting a Lazaretto upon Tybee Island;
was read a third Time.

Passed

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 5^o Februarii 1767^o

Bill fm. Coms.
House estab-
lishg. Ferry fm.
Ebenezer &c.—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for establishing a Ferry from the Town of Ebenezer to the opposite Bluff upon the River Savannah and for vesting the same in Martin Dasher his Executors Administrators and Assigns for and during the Space of seven Years; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first
Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Monday next.

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

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Die Veneris 6^o Februarii 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 7^o Februarii 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 9^o Februarii 1767^o

Ordinance ap-
pointing Pack-
ers & Inspect-
ors read a
second Time—

The ingrossed Ordinance from the Commons House for appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury and also Cullers and Inspectors of Lumber for the said Ports was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Ordinance be committed.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance to Morrow.

The House adjourned during Pleasure and put into a

House in Com-
mittee on the
Sunbury Bill—

Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to oblige the Inhabitants of the Town of Sunbury to clear and keep clean the several Squares Streets Lanes and Common within the same, and to exempt the said Inhabitants from working upon the Roads within the Parish of S^t John.

After some Time

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Morrow.

Bill for estab-
lishing Ferry
fm. Ebenezer
&c. read 2d
Time.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing a Ferry from the Town of Ebenezer to the opposite Bluff upon the River Savannah and for vesting the same in Martin Dasher his Executors Administrators and Assigns for and during the Space of seven Years; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 10^o Februarii 1767^o

Report fm.
Committee on
Merchants
Petition as to
Scarcity of
Paper Cur-
rency—

Mr Elliott from a Committee of this House joined by a Committee of the Commons House to consider of the Petition of the Merchants in this Province whose Names are thereunto subscribed, presented to both Houses, relative to the great Scarcity of Paper Currency Reported that the joint Committee had examined the Matter of the said Petition, and he was directed from the Committee of this House to report the same as it appeared to them; And he read the Report in his Place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table where the same was read And the House came to the following Resolution.

Resolution of
the House
thereon—

RESOLVED That this House will join the Commons House of Assembly in Petitions to be presented to his most sacred Majesty and the Parliament of Great Britain most humbly praying that an Act passed in the fourth Year of his Majesty's Reign intituled "An Act to prevent "paper Bills of Credit hereafter to be issued in any of his "Majesty's Colonies or Plantations in America from be- "ing a legal Tender in Payments of Money; and to pre- "vent the legal Tender of such Bills as are now subsist- "ing from being prolonged beyond the Period limited for "calling in and sinking the same" may be Repealed; And that his Majesty will be graciously pleased to instruct the Governour or Commander in chief of this Province for the Time being to give his Assent to a Bill for calling in the Sum of seven thousand four hundred and ten Pounds being the Amount of the Currency of this Province already issued and for stamping inprinting and issuing the Sum of twenty two thousand Pounds: And also that an Address be presented to his Excellency the Governour humbly requesting his Recommendation and Support of the said Petitions.

Message to
Coms. Ho: ac-
quaintg. them
with the Reso-
lution—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery acquainting them of the said Resolution—

House in Com-
mittee on Ordinance appointg
Packers—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Ordinance from the Commons House for appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury and also Cullers and Inspectors of Lumber for the said Ports—

After some Time

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Ordinance and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the same in at the Table—

and

ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a third Time.

Read a third
Time.

And the Ordinance was accordingly read a third Time.

Passed

Then the Question was put “Whether this Ordinance shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Ordinance and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Bill to oblige
Sunbury In-
habitants. to clear
the Town &c.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to oblige the Inhabitants of the Town of Sunbury to clear and keep clean the several Squares Streets Lanes and Common within the same, and to exempt the said Inhabitants from working upon the Roads within the Parish of S^t John; was read a third Time.

Read a third
Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

Passed

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And sent to
Coms. House

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing a Ferry from the Town of Ebenezer to the opposite Bluff upon the River Savannah and for vesting the same in Martin Dasher his Executors Administrators and Assigns for and during the Space of seven Years.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to establish
Ferry fm.
Ebenezer—

After some Time

The House was resumed, and M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

Read a third
Time

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time.

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time, and an Amendment was made thereto by the House.

and Amended—

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendment shall pass?"

Passed

It was resolved in the affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons

And sent to
Coms. House
for Concurrence—

House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendment made by this House thereto—

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 11^o Februarii 1767^o

A Message was brought from the Commons House by
M^r John Simpson in the following Words, viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 11th Feb^ry 1767

Honourable Gentlemen—

Message fm.
Coms. House
touching
Merchts. Pe-
tition—

This House having taken into Consideration the Report of their Committee appointed to join a Committee of your House on the Subject Matter of the Petition of the Merchants in this Province relative to the great scarcity of Paper Currency therein, and also the Resolution of your House contained in your Message of yesterday; Agree to join your House in the Petitions to be presented to his most sacred Majesty and the Parliament of Great Britain and the Address to his Excellency the Governour mentioned in your Resolution: And therefore desires your House will appoint a Committee to join a Committee of this House in preparing the said Petition and Address.

Committee
appointed

ORDERED That the honourable Grey Elliott, James Read, and James Edward Powell Esq^{rs} be the Committee for that Purpose.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 12° Februarii 1767°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 13° Februarii 1767°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 14° Februarii 1767°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 16° Februarii 1767

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 17^o Februarii 1767^o

Report fm.
Committee
appointed to
prepare Peti-
tions &c. on
subject Matter
of the Mer-
chants Peti-
tion—

M^r Elliott from a Committee of this House appointed to join a Committee of the Commons House to prepare Petitions to be presented to his most sacred Majesty and the Parliament of Great Britain most humbly praying for the repeal of an Act passed in the fourth Year of his said Majesty's Reign to prevent Paper Bills of Credit in his Majesty's Colonies from being a legal Tender in Payments; and that his Majesty would be graciously pleased to instruct the Governour or Commander in chief of this Province for the Time being to give his Assent to a Bill for calling in the Paper currency of this Province already issued and for stamping imprinting and issuing the Sum of twenty two thousand Pounds and likewise to prepare an Address to his Excellency the Governour requesting his recommendation and support of the said Petitions: Reported that the joint Committee had made some Progress therein, but it appearing that in Order to prove the Allegations to be set forth in the said Petition it was necessary the Commons House should address his Excellency the Governour to Order to be laid before them for the Consideration of the said joint Committee a State of the Militia of the Province; and Account of the several vessels entred and cleared out and a State of the exports & Imports; from the Year 1760 to this Time, distinguishing each Year And also an Account of the Number of Slaves returned in the Tax Lists during those Years M^r Elliott therefore moved that another time might be appointed for the said Committee to join the Committee of the Commons House and sit again.

ORDERED That the Committee of this House do join

And desire
Leave to sit
again.

the Committee of the Commons House again on the 17th
Day of March next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 18^o Februarii 1767^o

A Message was brought from the Commons House
by M^r ^(sic) in the following Words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 18th February 1767.

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coma. House
desiring Confer-
ence on Amend-
mt. to Ebenezer
Ferry Bill—

This House having taken under Consideration the
Amendment made by your House to the Bill intituled
an Act for establishing a Ferry from the Town of Ebene-
zer to the opposite Bluff upon the River Savannah and
for vesting the same in Martin Dasher his Executors
Administrators and Assigns for and during the Space of
seven Years; have disagreed thereto; And therefore
this House desires you will appoint a Committee of your
House to join a Committee of this House in Conference
upon the Subject Matter of the said Amendment and if
you please to join therein this House desires you will
appoint your Number Time and Place.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 19^o Februarii 1767^o

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 19th Feb^r 1767

M^r Speaker

Answer to the
said Message
agreeing to
Conference—

In Answer to your Message of yesterday desiring a Conference on the Subject Matter of the Amendment made by this House to the Bill intituled an Act for establishing a Ferry from the Town of Ebenezer to the opposite Bluff upon the River Savannah and for vesting the same in Martin Dasher his Executors Administrators and Assigns for and during the space of seven Years; this House doth agree to the said Conference and hath appointed a Committee to join a Committee of your House for that Purpose to meet in the room adjoining the Council Chamber immediately.

Committee James Edw^d Powell and James Read Esq^{rs}

Report fm,
Committee of
Conference—

This House was accordingly adjourned during Pleasure and the Committee went to the Conference; which being ended, The House was resumed, and M^r Powell reported that the Committee had attended the Conference and were acquainted by the Committee from the Commons House that the Commons House disagree to the Amendment made by this House to the Bill intituled an Act for establishing a Ferry from the Town of Ebenezer to the opposite Bluff upon the River Savannah and for vesting the same in Martin Dasher his Executors Administrators and Assigns for and during the space of seven Years; And delivered their Reasons which M^r Powell also reported to the House.

Amendment
read.

Then the Amendment disagreed to by the Commons House was ordered to be read.

And adhered to
by the Ho :

And the same being read accordingly; The Question was put "Whether this House shall adhere to the said Amendment"?

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 20^o Februarii 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 21^o Februarii 1767^o

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 23^o Februarii 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(*From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.*)

Die Martis 24° Februarii 1767°

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: to prevent
stealing of
Horses &c.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle and for the effectual Discovery and Punishment of such Persons as shall unlawfully brand mark kill or drive the same—

Also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to erect a Lazaretto and an House for the Keeper thereof upon the Island of Tybee; and to receive from the Treasurer of this Province a Sum not exceeding three hundred Pounds to defray the Expence thereof and to empower the said Treasurer to repay the same. To both which Bills they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House.

Read the first
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle and for the effectual Discovery and Punishment of such Persons as shall unlawfully brand mark kill or drive the same; was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Thursday next.

Bill fm. Coms.
House to erect
Lazaretto &c.
read 1st Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to erect a Lazaretto and an House for the Keeper thereof upon the Island of Tybee and to receive from the Treasurer of this Province a Sum not exceeding three hundred Pounds to defray the Expence thereof and to im-

power the said Treasurer to repay the same; was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Thursday next.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 25^o Februarii 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 26^o Februarii 1767^o

Bill to erect
Lazaretto &c.
read a second
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to impower the Commissioners therein named to erect a Lazaretto and an House for the Keeper thereof upon the Island of Tybee and to receive from the Treasurer of this Province a Sum not exceeding three hundred Pounds to defray the Expence thereof and to impower the said Treasurer to repay the same; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Thursday next.

Bill to prevent
stealing Horses
&c. read a
Second Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle and for the effectual Discovery and Punishment of such Persons as shall unlawfully brand mark kill or drive the same was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Thursday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 27^o Februarii 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 28^o Februarii 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow ^(sic) Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 2^o Martii 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 3^o Martii 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 4^o Martii 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 5^o Martii 1767^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put
House in Com- into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Com-
mittee on Bill mons House intituled an Act to impower the Commis-
to erect Laza- sioners therein named to erect a Lazaretto and an House
retto &c.— for the Keeper thereof upon the Island of Tybee and to

receive from the Treasurer of this Province a Sum not exceeding three hundred Pounds to defray the expence thereof and to empower the said Treasurer to repay the same:

After some Time

Reported with Amendment— The House was resumed, And M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made an Amendment thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow.

House in Committee on Bill to prevent stealg. Horses— The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle and for the effectual Discovery and Punishment of such Persons as shall unlawfully brand mark kill or drive the same.

After some Time

Reported with Amendmts.— The House was resumed And M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow.

Bill fm. Commons Ho: to prevent contagious Distempers— A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houstoun that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to prevent the bringing in and spreading of contagious Distempers in this Province, to oblige Masters or Commanders of Vessels going out of any Port within the same first to produce a Passport from

Also Bill to
limit Actions
and avoid Suits
in Law—

Also Bill to
continue sevl.
Laws near
expiring—

the Governour or Commander in chief to prevent the harbouring of sick Sailors or others and for the regulating and well ordering of the Lazaretto upon the Island of Tybee to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House— And also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for Limitation of Actions and for avoiding Suits in Law to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House;— And also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for continuing several Laws of this Province which are near expiring, to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House.

Bill to prevent
contagious
Distempers
read 1st Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent the bringing in and spreading of contagious Distempers in this Province; to oblige Masters or Commanders of Vessels going out of any Port within the same first to produce a Passport from the Governour or Commander in chief; to prevent the harbouring of sick Sailors and others; and for the regulating and well ordering of the Lazaretto upon the Island of Tybee was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

Bill for Limita-
tion of Actions
read the first
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for Limitation of Actions and for avoiding Suits in Law, was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled

Bill to continue
sevl. Laws read
the first time— an Act for continuing several Laws of this Province which are near expiring was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 6^o Martii 1767^o

Amendmt. to
Bill for erect-
ing a Lazaretto
&c. reported
fm. Committee M^r Powell from the Committee of the whole House reported that in the Journals of this House of Tuesday the 25th February 1766 It was resolved that the right of appointing a certain proportion of Commissioners in all Bills was the undoubted Priviledge of this House and that it had been the uniform and unvaried Practice of the Commons House to leave a Blank in such Bills for that Purpose That in the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to impower the Commissioners therein named to erect a Lazaretto and an House for the Keeper thereof upon the Island of Tybee and to receive from the Treasurer a Sum not exceeding three hundred Pounds to defray the expence thereof, and to impower the Treasurer to repay the same, the Commons House have taken upon them to nominate the whole of the Commissioners without leaving any Blank for this House to fill up with a proportion of the said Commissioners, which the Committee look upon to be an Infringement on the Priviledge of this House and therefore the said Committee have struck out the Commissioners of this House therein named by the Commons

House and nominated others in their Stead as an Amendment to the said Bill, and to assert the Priviledge of this House in that Respect; Which said Amendment being
And agreed to by the House— read twice was agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Monday next.

Amendmts. to the Bill to prevent stealing Horses &c. reported fm. Committee— Mr Powell from the Committee of the whole House also reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle and for the effectual Discovery and Punishment of such Persons as shall unlawfully brand mark kill or drive the same; Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by
And agreed to by the House the House.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Monday next.

Bill to prevent contagious Distempers &c. read 2d Time— The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent bringing in and spreading of contagious Distempers in this Province; to oblige Masters or Commanders of Vessels going out of any Port within the same first to produce a Passport from the Governour or Commander in chief; to prevent the harbouring of sick Sailors and others; and for the regulating and well ordering of the Lazaretto upon the Island of Tybee was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Tuesday next.

Bill for Limita-
tion of Actions
read 2d Time--

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for Limitation of Actions and for avoiding Suits in Law was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next.

Bill to continue
sevl. Laws read
a second Time--

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for continuing several Laws of this Province which are near expiring was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Wednesday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 7^o Martii 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till to Mor-
row ^(sic) Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 9° Martii 1767°

Bill to prevent
stealing Horses
&c. read 3d
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle and for the effectual Discovery and Punishment of such Persons as shall unlawfully brand mark kill or drive the same was read a third Time.

Passed with
Amendments.

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Bill to erect
Lazaretto &c.
read a third
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to erect a Lazaretto and an House for the Keeper thereof upon the Island of Tybee and to receive from the Treasurer a Sum not exceeding three hundred Pounds to defray the expence thereof, and to empower the Treasurer to repay the same; was read a third Time; and some Amendments were made thereunto by the House.

The Title
altered.

It is resolved That the Title of the Bill be an Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to erect a Lazaretto and an House for the Keeper thereof upon the Island of Tybee and to receive from the Treasurer or Powder Receiver a Sum not exceeding three hundred Pounds to defray the Expence thereof and to empower the Treasurer to repay the same.

and

Passed with
Amendments

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Bill fm. Coms.
House for lay-
ing Duty on
Negroes &c.—

also

Bill to lay out
public Roads.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for laying a Duty upon Negroes and other Slaves that have been above six Months in any of the Islands or Colonies in America and imported for Sale into this Province and for appropriating the same towards the repairing or rebuilding the Light House on Tybee Island to which they desire the concurrence of this honourable House; And also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to empower the several Commissioners or Surveyors thereafter named to lay out and make such Public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are therein after mentioned and directed and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions so far as the same respects the male white Inhabitants within the Town Division therein ascertained to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
for Limitation
of Actions—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for Limitation of Actions and for avoiding Suits in Law.

After some Time,

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Morrow.

Bill for laying
Duty on Ne-
groes &c. read
1st Time

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for laying a Duty upon Negroes and other Slaves that have been above six Months in any of the Islands or Colonies in America and imported for Sale in this Province and for appropriating the same towards the repairing or rebuilding the Light House on Tybee Island; was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

Bill to lay out
public Roads
read the first
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to impower the several Commissioners or Surveyors thereafter named to lay out and make such Public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are therein after mentioned and directed and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within their severa' and respective Divisions so far as the same respects the male white Inhabitants within the Town Division therein ascertained; was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 10^o Martii 1767^o

Bill for Limita-
tion of Actions
read a third
Time The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for Limitation of Actions and for avoiding Suits in Law was read a third Time and some Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

Passed with
Amendments

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Sent to Comms.
Ho: for their
Concurrence in
Amendmts. ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Bill for laying
out public
Roads &c. read
a 2d Time— The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the several Commissioners or Surveyors thereafter named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are therein after mentioned and directed and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions so far as the same respects the male white Inhabitants within the Town Division therein ascertained; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

Bill for laying
Duty on Ne-
groes &c. read
2d Time.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for laying a Duty upon Negroes and other Slaves that have been above six Months in any of the Islands or Colonies in America and imported for sale in this Province and for appropriating the same towards the repairing or rebuilding the Light House on Tybee Island; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to prevent con-
tagious Dis-
tempers &c.—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent the bringing in and spreading of contagious Distempers in this Province to oblige Masters or Commanders of Vessels going out of any Port within the same first to produce a Passport from the Governour or Commander in chief; to prevent the harbouring of sick Sailors and others; and for the regulating and well ordering of the Lazaretto upon the Island of Tybee,

After some Time

Desire leave to
sit again

The House was resumed and M^r Johnson reported that the Committee had made some Progress in the Bill and desire another Time may be appointed for them to sit again.

ORDERED That the House be again put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 11^o Martii 1767^o

House again in Committee on Bill to prevent contagious Distempers—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and again put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent bringing in and spreading of contagious Distempers in this Province; to oblige Masters or Commanders of Vessels going out of any Port within the same first to produce a Passport from the Governour or Commander in chief; to prevent the harbouring of sick Sailors and others; and for regulating and well ordering the Lazaretto upon the Island of Tybee;

After some Time,

Reported with Amendmts.

The House was resumed, and M^r Johnson reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow.

Ordinance fm. Coms. House appointing an Agent—

Also the Tax Bill—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Smith that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance appointing Charles Garth Esq^r Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House. And also That the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand eight hundred forty three Pounds eleven Shillings and four Pence three Farthings for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty seven to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned,

and for the more effectual collection of Arrears; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
for continug.
sevl. Laws—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for continuing several Laws of the Province which are near expiring;

After some Time

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Morrow.

House in Com-
mittee on Road
Bill—

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the several Commissioners or Surveyors thereafter named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are therein after mentioned and directed and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions as far as the same respects the male white Inhabitants within the Town Division therein ascertained.

After some Time,

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Morrow.

House in Committee on Bill for laying Duty on Negroes &c.—

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for laying a Duty upon Negroes and other Slaves that have been above six Months in any of the Islands or Colonies in America and imported for Sale in this Province and for appropriating the same towards the repairing or rebuilding the Light House on Tybee Island.

After some Time

Reported with Amendments.

The House was resumed, and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow.

Ordinance appointing an Agent read the first Time

The Ordinance from the Commons House appointing Charles Garth Esq^r Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain; was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be read a second Time to Morrow.

Tax Bill read the 1st Time

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand eight hundred forty three Pounds eleven Shillings and four Pence three Farthings for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year One thousand seven hundred and sixty seven to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears; was

read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by Mr John Simpson in the following Words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 11th March 1767

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
desiring Con-
ference on the
Amendmts. to
Bill to erect a
Lazaretto—
and agreeing to
Amendmts. in
Limitation Law
and Bill to pre-
vent stealing
Horses &c.—

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act for Limitation of Actions and for avoiding Suits in Law And also the Amendments made to the Bill intituled an Act to prevent stealing of Horses and neat Cattle and for the effectual Discovery and Punishment of such Persons as shall unlawfully brand mark kill or drive the same Agree thereto— This House having also considered the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to erect a Lazaretto and an House for the Keeper thereof upon the Island of Tybee and to receive from the Treasurer or Powder receiver of this Province a Sum not exceeding three hundred Pounds to defray the expence thereof and to empower the said Treasurer to repay the same, agree to some and disagree to others: therefore this House desires you will appoint a Committee of your House to join a Committee of this in Conference upon the Subject Matter of the said Amendments, and if you please to join therein this House desires you will appoint your Number Time and Place.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 12^o Martii 1767

Bill for contin-
uing sevl. Law
read a third
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for continuing several Laws of the Province which are near expiring was read a third Time.

Passed

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to the
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Road Bill read
a third Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to impower the several Commissioners or Surveyors thereafter named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are therein after-mentioned and directed and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions so far as the same respects the male white Inhabitants within the Town Division therein ascertained; was read a third Time and some Amendments were made by the House to the Bill.

Amended

Passed

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. Ho: for
their Concur-
rence in
Amendts.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Amendmts. to
Duty Bill on
Negroes &c. re-
ported fm.
Committ:

Mr Jones from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for laying a Duty upon Negroes and other Slaves that have been above six Months in any of the Islands or Colonies in America and imported for Sale in this Province and for appropriating the same towards the repairing or re-building the Light House on Tybee Island; which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

and

Agreed to by
the House

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Morrow.

Amendmts.
to Bill to pre-
vent contagious
Distempers &c.
reported fm.
Committee—

Mr Johnson from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent the bringing in and spreading of contagious Distempers in this Province; to oblige Masters or Commanders of Vessels going out of any Port within the same first to produce a Passport from the Governour or Commander in chief; to prevent the harbouring of sick Sailors and others and for regulating and well ordering the Lazaretto upon the Island of Tybee: which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

and

Agreed to by
the House

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Morrow.

Tax Bill read a
2d Time

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand eight hundred forty three Pounds eleven Shillings and four Pence three Farthings for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1767 to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears; was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next.

Ordinance
appointing
an Agent read
a 2d Time—

The Ordinance from the Commons House appointing Charles Garth Esq^r Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Ordinance be committed.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance on the first Day of June next.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words, viz^t

Upper house of Assembly 12th March 1767

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
agreeing to
Conference on
Amendmts.
to Lazaretto
Bill—

In answer to your Message of yesterday desiring a Conference on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill intituled an Act to impower the Commissioners therein named to erect a Lazaretto and an House for the Keeper thereof upon the Island of Tybee and to receive from the Treasurer or Powder receiver of this Province a Sum not exceeding three hundred Pounds to defray the expence thereof and to impower the said Treasurer to repay the same doth agree to the said Conference and hath appointed the same to be in the room adjoining the Council Chamber immediately.

Accordingly the House was adjourned during Pleasure, and the Committee appointed went to the Conference.

And being returned,

Report fm.
Committee of
Conference—

The House was resumed, and M^r Powell reported that the Committee had attended the Conference and were acquainted by the Committee from the Commons House that the Commons House disagree to some of the Amendments made by this House to the said Bill and delivered their Reasons, which M^r Powell also reported to the House.

Amendmts.
disagreed to
by by Coms.
(sic)
House read—

Then the Amendments disagreed to by the Commons House were ordered to be read.

And adhered
to.

And the same being read accordingly, the Question was put "Whether this House shall adhere to the said Amendments?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson in the following Words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 12th March 1767

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message to
Coms. House
thereon—

Upon report from the Committee of this House appointed to join a Committee of your House in a Conference on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to erect a Lazaretto and an House for the Keeper thereof upon the Island of Tybee, and to receive from the Treasurer or Powder Receiver of this Province a Sum not exceeding three hundred Pounds to defray the expence thereof and to

impower the said Treasurer to repay the same this House doth agree to the said Amendments.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning ten o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 13^o Martii 1767^o

Duty Bill on The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
Negroes read a an Act for laying a Duty upon Negroes and other Slaves
third Time— that have been above six Months in any of the Islands or Colonies in America and imported for Sale in this Province, and for appropriating the same towards the repairing or rebuilding the Light House on Tybee Island; was read a third Time and an Amendment was made by the House in the Title of the Bill.

The Title It is resolved That the Title of the Bill be an Act for
amended— laying a Duty upon Negroes and other Slaves that have been above six Months in any of the Islands or Colonies in America and imported for Sale in this Province and for appropriating the same towards the repairing or rebuilding the Light House on Tybee Island; And to
and prevent Negro Convicts being imported into and sold in this Province.

Bill passed Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons

Sent to the
Coms. Ho: for
their Concur-
rence in
Amendmt.

House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Bill to prevent
contagious Dis-
tempers &c.
read 3d Time

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent bringing in and spreading of contagious Distempers in this Province to oblige Masters or Commanders of Vessels going out of any Port within the same first to produce a Passport from the Governour or Commander in chief; to prevent the harbouring of sick Sailors and others; and for the regulating and well ordering of the Lazaretto upon the Island of Tybee was read a third Time.

and

Passed with
Amendmts.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Sent to Coms.
Ho: for their
Concurrence
in Amendmts.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning ten o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 14° Martii 1767°

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning ten o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 16^o Martii 1767^o

A Message was brought from the Commons House by Mr John Simpson in the following Words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 16th March 1767

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. Ho:
agreeg. to
amendmts. in
Bill to prevent
contagious Dis-
tempers &c.
and in Duty Bill
on Negroes—

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act to prevent the bringing into and spreading of malignant and contagious Distempers in this Province; to oblige Masters and Commanders of Vessels going out of any Port within the same first to produce a Passport from the Governour or Commander in chief; to prevent the harbouring of sick Sailors and others and for the regulating and well ordering of the Lazaretto upon the Island of Tybee: And also the Amendments to the Bill intituled an Act for laying a Duty upon Negroes and other Slaves that have been above six Months in any of the Islands or Colonies in America and imported for Sale in this Province and for appropriating the same towards the repairing or rebuilding the Light House on Tybee Island. Agree thereto.

House in Com-
mittee on Tax
Bill.

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand eight hundred forty three Pounds eleven Shillings and four Pence three Farthings for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1767 to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears;

After some Time,

The House was resumed, and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment; and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Reported without Amendt.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Thursday next.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 17^o Martii 1767^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow Morning ten o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 18^o Martii 1767.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to put up to Sale for the benefit of the Public the Ferry over great Ogeechee River at the Place called Pine Bluff for a Term of four Years and to authorize the said Commissioners to inspect and regulate the said Ferry during the said Term was read a third Time and an Amendment was made by the House in the Title of the Bill.

Bill for Sale of public Ferry read a third Time—

And Title
amended.

It is resolved That the Title of the Bill be an Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to put up to Sale for the benefit of the Public the Ferry over great Ogeechee River at the Place called Pine Bluff for a Term of five Years and an half and to authorize the said Commissioners to inspect and regulate the said Ferry during the said Term.

Passed

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. Ho: for
their Concur-
rence in
Amendts.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 18th March 1767

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. Ho: de-
siring Confer-
ence on Tax Bill

There being an Article or two in the Tax Bill that in the Opinion of this House require your Re-consideration, they therefore desire a Conference with your House thereon.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning ten o'clock.

(*From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.*)

Die Jovis 19^o Martii 1767.

Report fm.
Committee
appointed to
prepare Peti-
tions Address
&c.—

M^r Elliott from the Committee appointed to join a Committee of the Commons House in preparing Petitions to be presented to his Majesty and the Parliament of Great Britain most humbly praying for the repeal of an Act passed in the fourth Year of his Majesty's Reign to prevent paper Bills of Credit in his Majesty's Colonies from being a legal Tender in Payments; and that his Majesty would be graciously pleased to instruct the Governour or Commander in chief of this Province for the Time being to give his Assent to a Bill for calling in the Paper Currency of this Province already issued and for stamping imprinting and issuing the Sum of twenty two thousand Pounds; and likewise to prepare an Address to his Excellency the Governour requesting his Recommendation and Support of the said Petitions: Reported that the joint Committee had prepared the Petitions and Address accordingly; which he read in his Place and then delivered them in at the Table—

ORDERED That the said Petitions and Address be taken into Consideration to Morrow.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Joseph Gibbons in the following Words viz^t,

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
refusing Con-
ference on the
Tax Bill—

In Answer to your Message of yesterday setting forth that there being an Article or two in the Tax Bill that in the Opinion of your House require the Reconsideration of this House and desiring a Conference thereon; This House is of Opinion that such Request is contrary

to the known Custom and Usage of Assembly and therefore cannot join in the Conference proposed.

Tax Bill read
3d Time—

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand eight hundred forty three Pounds eleven Shillings and four Pence three Farthings for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1767 to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears was read a third Time.

Passed

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

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{ Non Cont 3 } It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill. and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning ten o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 20^o Martii 1767^o

On passing of the Tax Bill yesterday, Leave being asked and given to any Gentleman to Protest if the Question should be carried in the Affirmative the following Protests were this Day entred.

Dissentient 1st Because I conceive the allowing a Sum

Protest on
passing the
Tax Bill—

in the Tax Bill for a Service not agreed to by this House is an Inconsistency and in this Instance an absolute Contradiction both to the Resolution and Act of this House.

2nd Because I conceive the agreeing to Provision being made for any Service performed or Expence incurred by a Vote of Credit of the lower House only, and not concurred in by this House is giving Way to an Infringement of that invaluable Priviledge of "our Assent being necessary to make effectual every Vote of Credit of the lower House" a Privilege 'till now never controverted and the giving up of which I conceive may be productive of many future Inconveniences.

GREY ELLIOTT.

Protest on
passing Tax
Bill

Dissentient Because the Commons House of Assembly contrary to and in direct Violation of the known Rights and Priviledges of this House and in Order to lessen and render useless the Concurrence of this House, in all Matters wherein Votes of Credit are concerned thereby undervaluing the legislative Authority thereof hath inserted in the said Bill the Sum of £54 to Charles Garth Esq^r for Services by him done to which Grant neither the Consent or Approbation of this House was ever desired or had and which Service and the Benefit accruing to this Province therefrom, this House is wholly unacquainted with: And hath also granted the further Sum of £100 for other Services to be hereafter performed by that Gentleman as Agent to transact the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain, whereas the said Charles Garth Esq^r hath not been duly appointed by the Legislative Body of this Province as Agent thereto, the Concurrence of this House being absolutely and indispensibly necessary to constitute him such. I therefore in Order to preserve as far as depends on me what I

deem to be the just Rights and Priviledges of this honourable House do enter this my solemn Dissent

JAMES EDW^d POWELL—

It is resolved That the following Reasons why this House agreed to the Tax Bill be entred on the Journals.

Reasons given
for passing the
Tax Bill—

This House from a Desire of preserving a good Correspondence with the Commons House of Assembly having required a Conference on some Articles in the Bill “intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum “of One thousand eight hundred forty three Pounds “eleven Shillings and four Pence three Farthings for the “Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the “Year 1767 to be raised at certain Rates and after the “Method therein mentioned and for the more effectual “collecting of Arrears” that appear highly improper; which the House of Assembly having refused to agree to, we think it incumbent on Us to leave upon Record in our Journals our Objections against those Articles and our Reasons for passing the Bill in the exceptionable Manner it now stands as a Justification of our Conduct on this Occasion.

The first Article objected to is the following

“To Charles Garth Esq^r Agent for this Province his Salary £100.”

Which this House thinks irregular and ought not to stand in the Bill because this House has disagreed to the Ordinance sent from the Commons House for appointing the said Charles Garth Esq^r Agent for this Province he being now Agent for South Carolina; and as Disputes often arise between adjoining Colonies and Matters of Consequence are now depending which are opposed by the Province of South Carolina, it must be incompatible

for him to discharge his Duty to, and the Trust reposed in him by both Provinces. This House is however the less concerned at this Article standing in the Bill because as there is no Agent and can be none legally appointed without the Concurrence of this House the Sum intended to be provided for that Service although it is suffered to remain in the Bill cannot be issued and applied.

This House further observes with much Concern another Article in the Bill namely "To reimburse the Treasurer the Sum by him lent to be remitted Charles Garth Esq^r for his Services to this Province Fifty four Pounds" Which this House thinks irregular unprecedented and has a direct Tendency to subvert its essential Rights and Priviledges for the following Reasons—

Reasons for
passing Tax
Bill continued

1st Because M^r Garth did not act under proper legislative Authority, having been employed by the House of Assembly alone, without the Consent or Concurrence of this House, and that at a Time when this Province had an Agent in Great Britain appointed by an Act of the general Assembly and paid by the Province for soliciting the public Business.

2nd Because admitting M^r Garth had been duly appointed (which he was not) to transact the provincial Business yet as the House of Assembly did not communicate to this House the Instructions they gave him nor have as yet acquainted Us with the Services he has done for the Province; it is impossible for Us to form any Judgment of the Reward he is intituled to.

3^{dly} Because the Article as it stands in the Bill "To reimburse the Treasurer the Sum by him lent to be remitted Charles Garth for his Services to this Province; Fifty four Pounds" must be presumed to be a private Transaction between the Commons House and the Treas-

urer as we cannot suppose he would lend or dispose of the Public Money but in Consequence of a joint Act or Concurrence of the whole legislative Body, all the Moneys lodged in his hands being appropriated to particular Purposes by Acts of the general Assembly to be issued by Order of the Governour and Council which Concurrence and Order having neither been asked for, nor obtained, by the House of Assembly is considered as contrary to the said Acts of the general Assembly irregular unparliamentary and a flagrant Infringement of the constitutional Rights of this House.

4^{thly} Because the raising of Money for services performed by the sole Direction of the House of Assembly without this House being either previously consulted or concurring with them is a most dangerous precedent, which, if established, would put it in the Power of the House of Assembly alone to raise what Money they please and apply it to what Purposes they think fit without any Check or Controul from this House, by which this House will be deprived of it's just and constitutional Rights and Priviledges that useful and necessary Balance which our Constitution has wisely established between the several Branches of the Legislature be destroyed and the Public consequently liable to be highly injured.

For which Reasons this House is of Opinion that it would be fully justified in rejecting this Bill, but as the rejecting of it at this Time might be hurtful to the public Credit and highly prejudicial to the Welfare of this Province in many other Respects they have past the same: Saving nevertheless all the Rights and Priviledges of this House and declaring that the waving of their Right at this Time shall not be a Precedent for the future but that this House will on every proper Occasion assert their constitutional Rights and Priviledges.

Petitions and
Address taken
under Consid-
eration and the
Address
amended—

The House proceeded to take into Consideration the Petitions prepared by a Committee of both Houses, to be presented to his Majesty and the Parliament of Great Britain in respect of the great Scarcity of Paper Currency in this Province and also an Address to his Excellency the Governour on the same Subject; And the same being read the House did agree to the said Petitions without any Amendment, and to the said Address with Amendments.

ORDERED That the said Petitions and Address be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with a Message in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 20th March 1767

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. Ho:
thereon

Upon Report from the Committee of this House appointed to join a Committee of the Commons House in preparing Petitions to be presented to his Majesty and the Parliament of Great Britain respectively most humbly praying Relief in respect of the great Scarcity of Paper Currency in the Province and also an Address to his Excellency the Governour on the same Subject; this House having taken the said Petitions and Address under Consideration Do agree to the said Petitions without any Amendment and to the said Address with Amendments.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r (alc) in the following Words, viz^t

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

This House having taken into Consideration the

Message fm.
Coms. Ho: dis-
agreeg. to one
Amendmt. in
Address and
desiring Con-
ference—

Amendments made by your House to the Address to his Excellency the Governour desiring he would be pleased to use his Interest in obtaining the prayer of the joint Petitions of both Houses to his Majesty and the Parliament of Great Britain respecting the Scarcity of Paper Currency in this Province, disagree to one of the said Amendments therefore this House desire a Conference on the Subject Matter of the said Amendment.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 20th March 1767

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. Ho: agreeg. to Conference—

This House doth agree to the Conference you desire on the Subject Matter of the Amendment made by this House to the Address to his Excellency the Governour desiring his Interest in obtaining the Prayer of the joint Petitions of both Houses to his Majesty and the Parliament of Great Britain respecting the Scarcity of Paper Currency in the Province and do appoint the said Conference to be in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber immediately.

ORDERED That M^r Powell, M^r Martin and M^r Johnson be the Committee of Conference.

Then the House was adjourned during Pleasure and the Committee went to the Conference; which being ended,

Report fm.
Committee of
Conference—

The House was resumed and M^r Powell reported that the Committee had attended the Conference and were acquainted by the Committee from the Commons House that the Commons House disagree to an Amendment

made by this House in the said Address and delivered their Reasons which M^r Powell also reported to the House.

Amendmt. in Address disagreed to by Coms. House ordered to be read—

Then the Amendment disagreed to by the Commons House was ordered to be read.

Resolved to Adhere to the said Amendment—

And the same being read accordingly The Question was put “Whether this House shall adhere to the said Amendment?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Message to Coms. Ho: thereon.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery acquainting them that this House doth adhere to their Amendments made in the said Address And also that this House hath appointed the honourable Noble Jones and James Edw^d Powell Esq^{rs} to be a Committee to examine the ingrossed Bills.

M^r President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House and he delivered it in at the Table where the same was read and is as follows

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm. his Excell. adjourning the House—

I do hereby adjourn the upper House of Assembly until Thursday the twenty sixth Day of this Instant March then to meet for to Dispatch of Business; and it is accordingly adjourned to the twenty sixth Day of this Instant.

Given under my hand at Savannah this 20th Day of March 1767.

JA: WRIGHT

{ To the Hon^{ble} the President and Mem- }
{ bers of the upper House of Assembly }

ORDERED That all Orders and Resolutions be adjourned over to that Day.

And then the House adjourned till Thursday the 26th Of this instant March Eleven O'clock in the forenoon.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 26° Martii 1767°

Resolutions
come to by the
House on seeing
an Extract
fm. Journals of
Coms. House
concerning an
Agent—

It appearing by an Extract from the Journals of the Commons House of assembly (now before this House) that they have assumed to themselves a Power of appointing and have actually named a Committee of their House to correspond with Charles Garth Esq^r under the Character of Agent for this Province in Great Britain This House unanimously came to the following Resolutions:

It is resolved That this House knows of no Agent being appointed to solicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain.

It is resolved That the Commons House of Assembly have no Right to appoint an Agent for the Province nor to correspond with any Person under that Character without the Consent and Concurrence of the whole legislative Body.

It is resolved That an Address be prepared and presented to his Excellency the Governour that he will be pleased to use his Interest and Influence in Great Britain to support the just Rights and Priviledges of this

House against the Encroachment of the Commons House of Assembly.

It is resolved That William Knox Esq^r be requested to appear and solicit at the several Boards in Great Britain, where it may be necessary, in Support of the Rights and Priviledges of this House.

It is resolved That M^r Powell and M^r Johnson be a Committee to prepare an Address to his Excellency agreeable to the third Resolution; And that M^r Habersham M^r Powell and M^r Johnson be a Committee to correspond with M^r Knox on the Subject Matter of the aforesaid Resolutions.

An Address
prepared and
presented to
his Excellency.

M^r Powell from the Committee appointed to prepare an Address to his Excellency the Governour agreeable to the third Resolution reported that the Committee had prepared an Address accordingly which he read in his Place and then delivered it in at the Table where the same was read and agreed to by the House and is as follows viz^t

To his Excellency James Wright Esq^r Captain General and Governour in chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia.

The humble Address of the upper House of Assembly.

May it please your Excellency

Address

It appearing by an Extract from the Journals of the Commons House of Assembly (now before Us) that they have assumed to themselves and have actually named a Committee to correspond with Charles Garth Esq^r under the Character of Agent for this Province in Great Britain; which we consider as an high Infringement of our

just Rights and Priviledges; and beg leave to refer your Excellency to our Journals of the 20th of this Instant for our Reasons for not concurring with the Commons House in the Ordinance passed by them for appointing that Gentleman Agent for the Province.

We therefore humbly request your Excellency that you will be pleased to use your Interest and Influence in Great Britain that no Person may be received at the public Boards under the Character of Agent for this Province who is not duly appointed and authorized by an Act of the whole legislative Body; and that your Excellency in every Instance will continue to support the constitutional Rights and Priviledges of this House.

ORDERED That the Address be ingrossed and that M^r President do sign the same.

ORDERED That M^r Johnson and M^r Powell do wait on his Excellency the Governour and present the said Address.

His Excellency's
Answer to the
Address—

M^r Johnson reported that they had waited on his Excellency the Governour and presented the Address of this House which his Excellency received very kindly and was pleased to give the following Answer "That he "looked on the Proceedings of the Commons House to "be very extraordinary and improper and that this House "might be assured of all the Aid and Assistance in his "Power to support their just Rights and Priviledges; "and that he would write to the Ministry in the strongest "Terms upon the Subject."

M^r President informed the House that agreeable to their Order of the sixth Day of March 1766 he did transmit a certified Copy of the Resolution this House came to in Respect to M^r Knox then Agent for this Province; And in Answer thereto had received a Letter from

the said M^r Knox, an Extract of which so far as it regarded this House he had to present, and desired the same might be read: And the said Extract was read accordingly and ordered to be entred on the Journals, and is as follows

Extract of a Letter from William Knox Esq^r to the President dated 20th May 1766.

Extract of
Letter fm. Mr.
Knox late
Agent to the
President in
Answer to the
Resolucⁿ the
House came to
concerning his
Services—

“Two Days since I had the Pleasure to receive your
“favour of the 7th March inclosing a Copy of the Reso-
“lution the honourable the upper house of Assembly had
“been pleased to come to the Day before respecting my
“Conduct as Agent for the Colony of Georgia. Next
“to the silent Testimony of a Man’s own Breast it is the
“highest Satisfaction to have the Approbation of those
“whose Opinion is to be influenced neither by the Frowns
“of Power nor by the more despicable Menacies of a
“deluded and artfully instigated Populace Allow me
“therefore Sir to request of you to inform the honoura-
“ble House of the very great Pleasure I feel in having
“their Approbation, and how truly sensible I am of the
“Honour they have done me.”

“I beg you will also on my Behalf assure the honoura-
“ble Gentlemen of that House that whenever thro’ any
“Attempts to usurp on their Rights they may find them-
“selves engaged in any Contest with the Commons House
“of Assembly they shall always find me ready to do them
“any Service here they may desire of me without looking
“for any Gratification, other than the Thanks of Gentle-
“men who act with Consistency and Honour.”

His Excellency the Governour came to this House
and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Mas-
ter in Chancery requiring their Attendance in the Coun-
cil Chamber immediately; And M^r Speaker with the

His Excellcy.
gives his As-
sent to the
following Bills
vizt.

Commons House attending, his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bills viz^t

The Tax Law. An Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand eight hundred and forty three Pounds eleven Shillings and four Pence three Farthings for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1767 to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned; and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears—

The Duty Act on Negroes &c. An Act for laying a Duty upon Negroes and other Slaves that have been above six Months in any of the Islands or Colonies in America and imported for Sale into this Province and for appropriating the same towards the repairing or rebuilding the Light House on Tybee Island; and to prevent Negro Convicts being imported into and sold in this Province.

Act to erect a Lazaretto— An Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to erect a Lazaretto and an House for the Keeper thereof upon the Island of Tybee; and to receive from the Treasurer or Powder Receiver of this Province a Sum not exceeding three hundred Pounds to defray the Expence thereof; and to empower the Treasurer to repay the same.

Act to purchase Land to erect a Lazaretto— An Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to purchase from Josiah Tatnell Esq^r his Executors or Administrators one hundred and four Acres of Land for the Purpose of erecting a Lazaretto upon Tybee Island.

Public Road Act— An Act to amend an Act to empower the several Commissioners thereafter named to lay out and make such Public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are therein after mentioned and directed; and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads al-

ready laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions; so far as the same respects the male white Inhabitants within the Town Division therein ascertained.

Act to regulate making Lumber. An Act to regulate the making of Cypress Oak & Pine Lumber Staves and Shingles and to ascertain the Quality thereof.

Act to amend & continue an Act for regulating Work house &c. An Act to amend and continue an Act for regulating a Work House for the Custody and Punishment of Negroes.

Act to continue Laws near expirg. An Act for continuing several Laws of this Province which are near expiring.

Act to oblige Sunbury Inhabitants to clear and keep clean the Town &c. An Act to oblige the Inhabitants of the Town of Sunbury to clear and keep clean the several Squares Streets Lanes and Common within the same; and to exempt the said Inhabitants from working upon the Roads within the Parish of St John.

Act to prevent stealing Horses &c. An Act to prevent Stealing of Horses and neat Cattle, and for the effectual Discovery and punishment of such Persons as shall unlawfully brand mark kill or drive the same.

Act for Limitation of Actions. An Act for Limitation of Actions and for avoiding Suits in Law.

Act to amend Tavern Law. An Act to further amend an Act for the better regulating Taverns Punch Houses and retailers of spirituous Liquors.

Act for granting Writs of Partition. An Act to empower the general Court of Pleas to grant Writs of Partition of Lands and Tenements held in Coparcenary joint Tenancy and Tenancy in Common in this Province and appointing the Method of proceeding therein.

Ordinance
appointg.
Packers &c.

An Ordinance for appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury and also Cullers and Inspectors of Lumber for the said Ports.

Act to prevent
contagious Dis-
tempra. &c. —

An Act to prevent the bringing into and spreading of malignant and contagious Distempers in this Province to oblige Masters or Commanders of Vessels going out of any Port within the same first to produce a passport from the Governour or Commander in chief; to prevent the harbouring of sick Sailors and others; and for the regulating and well ordering of the Lazaretto upon the Island of Tybee.

Genl. Assembly
prorogued to
30th June
next—

After which his Excellency prorogued the general Assembly until Tuesday the thirtieth Day of June next.

And this House accordingly adjourned until Tuesday the thirtieth Day of June next Eleven o'clock in the Forenoon.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

GEORGIA

Journal of the upper House convened in general Assembly on Monday the 26th October 1767. from that day to 11 April 1768.

CHA^s WATSON C. G. A.

In Gov^r Wright's Letter
of 8 June 1768.

Great Seal taken off by S. B.

GEORGIA

Journal of the upper House convened in general Assembly by Proclamation on Monday the twenty sixth Day of October 1767.

Die Lunæ 26^o Octobris 1767^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 27^o Octobris 1767^o

M^r President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House; And he presented the same accordingly, and the said Message was read and is as follows, viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen,

Message from
his Excellency the
Governour—

The Earl of Shelburne his Majesty's principal Secretary of State for the southern Department having notified to me that his Majesty expects and requires that the Commons House of Assembly of this Province will render an exact and compleat Obedience in all Respects whateved to the Terms of the Mutiny Act; And being commanded without Delay in his Majesty's Name to require that they will make those Provisions for the Supply of the King's Troops which by that Act they are directed to do.

I have this Day laid his Majesty's Commands before them, of which I think it necessary to inform you; and have not the least Doubt but that, as far as lies with you, you will chearfully concur in rendring Obedience to his Majesty's Commands, and the Authority of the british Legislature.

JA: WRIGHT

Sav^h in Georgia
Council Chamber
the 27th October 1767.

RESOLVED That an humble Address be presented to his Excellency the Governour in Answer to the foregoing Message and that M^r Martin and M^r Johnson do prepare the same.

M^r President also informed the House that he had another Message from his Excellency the Governour, signed by his Excellency, which he was directed to lay before this House; and he presented the same accordingly, and the said Message was read and is as follows, viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

Message from
his Excellency the
Governour—

With your Approbation and Advice I put a Command of an Officer and ten Men to do the necessary Duty at Fort George, the Pay of the Officer and Men is thirty Pounds $\frac{2}{3}$ Month which I have already paid Captain Simpson from the Eighth of May to the Eighth of August, also four Pounds Eighteen Shillings and Eight Pence to two Men who were ordered to take Care of the Fort from the thirty first Day of March to the Eighth Day of May; And on the Eighth Day of next Month there will be three Months Pay due to Captain Powell who has now the Command there, amounting to ninety Pounds Sterling more, which I shall likewise pay: But have this Day sent a Message to the Commons House of Assembly acquainting them that unless they provide for the Expence of this Command I shall discontinue it from the Eighth Day of next Month. This Matter I think necessary, Gentlemen, to lay before you also, and if the Assembly are disposed to make Provision for this Service, I am confident that you will readily concur with them in that Measure.

JA: WRIGHT.

Sav^h in Georgia Council Chamber

27th October 1767.

RESOLVED That this House will readily and chearfully concur with the Commons House in providing for the Service mentioned in his Excellency's Message; as this House deem the keeping up that Command essentially necessary to the due enforcing many salutary Laws of this Province.

Address to the
Governour on
his last Mes-
sage—

RESOLVED That an humble Address be presented to his Excellency the Governour upon the aforesaid Resolution; and that M^r Powell and M^r Martin do present the same.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 28^o Octobris 1767^o

M^r Martin from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address to his Excellency on his Message to this House touching the Notification he had received, in Respect of the Mutiny Act, from the Earl of Shelburne his Majesty's principal Secretary of State for the southern Department; reported that the Committee had prepared an Address accordingly which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now received.

And M^r Martin read the same in his Place and then delivered it in at the Table where the Address was read and agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Address be ingrossed.

The ingrossed Address being read.

ORDERED That M^r President do sign the same and that it be entred in the Journals, as follows,

To his Excellency James Wright Esq^r Captain general and Governour in chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia

The humble Address of the upper House of Assembly.

Address to his
Excellcy. the
Govr. on his
first Message—

May it please your Excellency,
This House having taken under Consideration your Excellency's Message to them informing them that you had received a Notification from the Earl of Shelburne,

his Majesty's principal Secretary of State for the southern Department, that his Majesty expected and required that the Commons House of Assembly of this Province will render an exact and compleat Obedience in all Respects whatever to the Terms of the Mutiny Act. This House doth assure your Excellency that they will at all Times pay a due Regard to his Majesty's Commands; and render an exact and compleat Obedience in all Respects whatever to the Authority of the british Legislature; as they are convinced it is their indispensable Duty so to do: And that they will most chearfully concur with the Commons House of Assembly in making those Provisions for his Majesty's Troops which are required by the said Act.

Upper House of Assembly

28th October 1767.

ORDERED That M^r Martin and M^r Johnson do wait upon, and present the said Address to his Excellency the Governour.

M^r Martin reported that his Excellency the Governour having been waited on with the said Address, pursuant to Order, was pleased to receive the same very kindly, and to return the following Answer viz^t,

Honourable Gentlemen,

I am extremely obliged to you for this Address; the dutiful Regard you so warmly express for his Majesty, and the Authority of the british Legislature, gives me great Satisfaction, and, I think, must do you Honour.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

His Excell.
the Govr's.
Answer to
Address—

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 29° Octobris 1767°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 30° Octobris 1767°

M^r President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency, which he was directed to lay before this House; and he delivered it in at the Table where the said Message was read and is as follows, viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen,

Adjournmt.
of the upper
House 'till 11th
Janry. 1768—

I do hereby adjourn the upper House of Assembly until Monday the Eleventh Day of January next then to meet for the Dispatch of Business; And it is accordingly adjourned to Monday the Eleventh Day of January next.

Given under my Hand at Savannah this
30th Day of October 1767.

JA: WRIGHT

To the Honourable the
President and Members of
the Upper House of Assembly }

ORDERED That all Orders and Resolutions be adjourned over to that Day.

And then the House adjourned until Monday the Eleventh Day of January next Eleven o'Clock in the Forenoon.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 11^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 12^o Januarii 1768^h

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 13^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 14^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 15^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 16^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 18^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 19^o Januarii 1768^o

Bill fm. Coms.
House to en-
large burial
Ground—

Read the first
Time.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to impower the Church Wardens and Vestry of the Parish of Christ Church to enlarge the Cemetry or public Burial Ground at Savannah and to inclose the same: to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

The following Message was also brought from the Commons House by the said M^r Simpson.

Honourable Gentlemen,

Message fm.
Coms. House.

The Commons House of Assembly acquaint your Honours that they have appointed a Committee to inspect the Journals of your House, and to take such Extracts therefrom as they may think necessary.

Committee M^r Jones, M^r Bulloch, M^r Mullryne, M^r Ewen, M^r Smith.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 20^o Januarii 1768^o

Bill to enlarge
burial Ground
read second
Time.
The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
an Act to empower the Church Wardens and Vestry of
the Parish of Christ Church to enlarge the Cemetry or
public Burial Ground at Savannah and to inclose the
same; was read a second Time.

and And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee
of the whole House.

Committed ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee
upon the said Bill on Monday the 15th Day of Febuary
next.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 21^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 22^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 23^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 25^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 26^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 27^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 28^o Januarii 1768^o

Bill fm. Coms.
House to regu-
late Assize of
Bread—

Read the first
Time—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for regulating the Assize of Bread: to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 29^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 30^o Januarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till Morrow ^(sic)
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 1^o Februarii 1768^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
Bill to regulate the Assize of Bread read second Time— an Act for regulating the Assize of Bread; was read a
second Time—

and

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Committed

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday the 15th Day of February next.

And then the House adjourned till to
 Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 2^o Februarii 1768^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
 Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 3^o Februarii 1768^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
 Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 4^o Februarii 1768^o

Ordinance fm. Coms. House appointing an Agent—
 Read the first Time—
 A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson; that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance appointing Charles Garth Esq^r Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain: to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House. And the Ordinance was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

To be read a second Time the first Tuesday in July next.
 ORDERED That the Ordinance be read a second Time on the first Tuesday in July next.

Bill int. Coms. House to prevent the spreading of the small Pox.
 Read the first Time—
 A Message also from the Commons House by the said M^r John Simpson; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to prevent as much as may be the spreading of the small Pox in this Province; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Wednesday next.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 5^o Februarii 1768^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 6° Februarii 1768°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 8° Februarii 1768°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 9° Februarii 1768°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 10° Februarii 1768°

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
an Act to prevent as much as may be the spreading of
the small Pox in this Province; was read a second Time.

Small Pox Bill
read a second
Time—

and

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 11^o Februarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 12^o Februarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 13^o Februarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 15^o Februarii 1768^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put
House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to enlarge
burial Ground-- into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Com-
mons House intituled an Act to impower the Church
Wardens and Vestry of the Parish of Christ Church to
enlarge the Cemetry or public burial Ground at Savan-
nah, and to inclose the same;

After some Time;

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that
Reported with-
out Amendmt. the Committee had gone through the Bill, and that he
was directed to report the same to the House without
any Amendment; and he delivered the Bill in at the
Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Mor-
row.

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and
House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to regulate
Assize of
Bread-- put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the
Commons House intituled an Act for regulating the
Assize of Bread;

After some Time

The House was resumed, and M^r Jones reported that
Reported with-
out Amendmt. the Committee had gone through the Bill, and that he
was directed to report the same to the House without
any Amendment: and he delivered the Bill in at the
Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Mor-
row.

House in Com-
mittee on small
Pox Bill—

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent as much as may be the spreading of the small Pox in this Province;

After some Time

Bill amended.

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow.

Bill fm. Coms.
House to fur-
ther amend
Negro Law.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to further amend an Act intituled an Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province, and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first Time, and ordered to be read a second Time.

Bill read first
Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

Bill fm Coms.
House to ex-
plain Jury
Law—

A Message also from the Commons House by the said M^r Simpson; that the Commons House have passed a Bill to explain an Act intituled an Act for ascertaining the Qualification of Jurors, and for establishing the Method of ballotting and summoning of Jurors in the Province of Georgia; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first
Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 16° Februarii 1768°

Bill to amend
Negro Law
read a second
Time—

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to further amend an Act intituled an Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province, and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Friday next.

Bill to explain
Jury Law read
second Time—

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House to explain an Act for ascertaining the Qualifications of Jurors and for establishing the Method of ballotting and summoning of Jurors in the Province of Georgia; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Friday next.

Amendmts. to
small Pox Bill
reported
and
Agreed to by
the House.

M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent as much as may be the spreading of the small Pox in this Province; which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Friday next.

Bill to enlarge
burial Grod.
read third
Time—
and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the Church Wardens and Vestry of the Parish of Christ Church to enlarge the Cemetry or public burial Ground at Savannah, and to inclose the same; was read a third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

Passed It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Bill to regulate
Assize of Bread
read 3d Time.
and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for regulating the Assize of Bread; was read a third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

Passed It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 17^o Februarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 18^o Februarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 19^o Februarii 1768^o

Small Pox Bill
read the third
Time—

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
an Act to prevent as much as may be the spreading of
the small Pox in this Province; was read a Third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

Passed

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Bill fm. Coms.
House to amend
Road Law—

A Message from the Commons House by S^r Patrick Houstoun; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to amend an Act to empower the several Commissioners or Surveyers thereafter named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are therein after mentioned and directed; and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out, and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions; to which Bill they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House. And the same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first
Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Thursday next.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to amend the
Road Law—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to further amend an Act intituled an Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province, and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers;

After some Time

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that

Reported without Amendment. the Committee had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any Amendment; and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Monday next.

House in Committee on Bill to explain Jury Law— The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House to explain an Act for ascertaining the Qualification of Jurors, and for establishing the Method of balloting and summoning of Jurors in the Province of Georgia;

After some Time

Reported without Amendment. The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment; and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Monday next.

Memorial of Messrs. Rae & Galphin relative to the Importation of Irish Families presented to the House and read— A Memorial of John Rae and George Galphin was presented to the House and read setting forth that the Memorialists having greatly at Heart the settling a Township in this Province with Protestant Families from the north of Ireland did petition his Excellency the Governour and Council for a Quantity of Land on the Branches of Ogechee River to be reserved for three Years; Which in Consequence thereof was complied with: That his Excellency out of his wonted Wisdom and Goodness for the Security and Welfare of the whole Province, and for the speedy Settlement of the back Countrey, did represent the Matter to the general Assembly setting forth the great Utility and Advantage the

Province in general would reap from strength'ning the Frontier; whereupon a Sum was provided then thought sufficient for carrying the salutary Measure into Effect. That the Memorialists did transmit to their Friends in Ireland printed Copies of the Law, but the Encouragement therein being much less than what was given by the Province of South Carolina to a great Number of Families imported there for these three Years past no Person could be prevailed on to come to this Province on the Terms proposed, being certain of a free Passage if they embarked for Carolina besides every other Advantage allowed here, That as the Act of the general Assembly of that Province now expires the Memorialists think this a fair Opportunity to have the Township settled with a Number of industrious People, having received Letters from their Friends giving them the strongest Assurance of a Number of good Families being willing to come to this Province provided they could have their Passage paid, their Lands laid out free of Expence, and exempted from Taxes for ten Years. That the Memorialists intended importing as soon as possible (if the Proposals were approved) thirty or forty Families of such People Therefore humbly hoped that, taking the Premises under Consideration, the House would do therein as in their Wisdom should seem meet.

Which said Memorial being taken under Consideration.

ORDERED That the following Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery, viz^t,

Upper House of Assembly 19th Feb^{ry} 1768.

M^r Speaker

Message to the
Coms. House
on the said
Memorial—

A Memorial of Mess^{rs} John Rae and George Galphin having been laid before the upper House and taken un-

der Consideration they herewith send it for the Perusal of your House, desiring a Conference on the Subject Matter thereof to be held on Monday next in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber.

Petition of Wm. Lyford the Pilot presented to the House and read. A Petition of William Lyford was presented to the House and read, setting forth that he had for some Years past been a Branch Pilot for the River of Savannah and Bar of Tybee, and been at a considerable Expence in providing Boats and proper Persons to assist him in his Duty as Pilot; And flattered himself that he had in every Instance discharged the Trust reposed in him with Assiduity Dispatch and Diligence, for the Truth of which he hoped he might appeal to the Testimony not only of the Masters of Vessels trading to this Port in general, but of the Gentlemen in Trade in Savannah.

That he had, amongst others, provided at the Expense of above 350 £ Sterling, a Schooner rigged Pilot Boat built for the Purpose of attending this Bar, and of a Burthen sufficient to keep the Sea in any Season and in any Weather, as was well known to many of the Members of this House.

That on the fifth Day of February instant his said Pilot Boat together with a very valuable Slave and a Quantity of Sail Cloth, that happened to be then on Board the same, for the Purpose of making a new Suit of Sails, were forceably and piratically carried away by three Seamen belonging to a Vessel commanded by Captain Covell then lying at Cockspur; and to all Appearance were totally and irrecoverably lost to the Petitioner whose slender Circumstances (in Part occasioned by the extraordinary Expence he had been at on Occasion of his undertaking the said Pilotage) could by no Means bear so heavy a Loss, but himself and Family must thereby inevitably be reduced to great Distress.

Therefore humbly hoped that this House, taking the Premises under their Consideration. would, in Commiseration of his unhappy Case, and to enable him to proceed in his Duty for the public Good of the Province, grant him such Relief therein as to them should seem meet.

Ordd. that the
Petition do lay
on the Table—

ORDERED That the said Petition do lay on the Table for the Perusal of the Members of this House.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 20^o Februarii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 22^o Februarii 1768^o

Bill to explain
Jury Law read
third Time—

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House to explain an Act intituled an Act for ascertaining the Qualification of Jurors, and for establishing the Method of balloting and summoning of Jurors in the Province of Georgia; was read a third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

Passed

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Bill to amend
Negro Law on
Question put
for reading it
a third Time—

The Order of the Day, for the third reading the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to further amend an Act intituled an Act for the better ordering and governing Negroes and other Slaves in this Province, and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers; being read, Motion was made that the said Bill be read a third Time.

And the Question being put thereon,

Resolved in the
Negative

It was resolved in the Negative.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by Mr John Simpson in the following Words, viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly 22^d Feb^r 1768.

Honourable Gentlemen,

A Message fm.
Coms. House
in Answer to
Rae's and Gal-
phin's Memo-
rial—

And agreeing
to Conference—

Also agreeing
to Amendmts.
made in small
Pox Bill—

This House having taken under Consideration your Message of Friday last, together with the Memorial of Mess^{rs} John Rae and George Galphin, doth agree with your House in the Conference proposed on the Subject Matter of the said Memorial— And also that this House hath agreed to the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act to prevent as much as may be the spreading of the small Pox in this Province.

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and went to the Conference; which being ended,

The House was resumed, And Mr Elliott reported that they had attended the Conference, and that the Conferees had come to the following Resolution, viz^t,

Report fm.
Conferees as to
Rae's and Gal-
phin's Memo-
rial—

RESOLVED That an Encouragement be given to the Settlement proposed in the Manner set forth in the said Memorial, and that a Bill be prepared for that Purpose: That the Expence of the Passage, and bringing in the Number of Families intended, be defrayed out of the Monies provided in and by an Act intituled "An Act for encouraging Settlers to come into the Province, and for granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand Eight hundred and fifteen Pounds Sterling to be issued in Certificates by the Commissioners herein named for that Purpose; And also for rebuilding the Court House in Savannah in Consequence of an Act of the general Assembly passed the 29th Day of February 1764." if so much shall be remaining in the Treasurer's Hands at the Expiration of that Law; And in Case such Monies shall not be sufficient for the Purpose, that then the Commissioners, to be named in the Bill proposed to be prepared and brought in, may be empowered to issue Certificates to make up the Deficiency to be sunk by the general Tax in two Years after issuing the same.

Agreed to by
the House—

Which Resolution being read twice was agreed to by the House.

Message to
Coms. House
thereon—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery acquainting them that this House doth agree with the Conferees in the foregoing Resolution.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 23° Februarii 1768°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 24° Februarii 1768°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 25° Februarii 1768°

Bill fm. Coms.
House for Sale
of Ogechee
Ferry—

Read the first
Time.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson; That the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to impower the Commissioners therein named to put up to Sale for the Benefit of the Public the Ferry over great Ogechee River at a Place called the Pine Bluff for a Term of five Years, and to authorise the said Commissioners to inspect and regulate the said Ferry: to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first Time, and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Wednesday next.

Bill to amend
Road Law read
a second Time--

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act to empower the several Commissioners or Surveyers thereafter named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are therein after mentioned and directed; and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out, and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions: Was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on the Eighth Day of March next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 26° Februarii 1768°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 27° Februarii 1768°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 29° Februarii 1768°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 1° Martii 1768°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 2° Martii 1768°

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: for laying
a Duty on raw
neat Hides
exported &c.— A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson; That the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty a Duty upon raw neat Hides exported from this Province; and for preventing the Exportation of unmerchable Tanned Leather: to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House.

Ordinance to
appoint In-
spectors of
tanned Lear.— And also that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance for appointing Inspectors of tanned Leather for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury in this Province; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House:

Bill to establish
sevl. Ferries
&c.—

And also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for establishing several Ferries in this Province and for vesting the same in the Persons therein mentioned: to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House.

Duty Bill on
raw Hides read
first Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty a Duty upon raw neat Hides exported from this Province, and for preventing the Exportation of unmerchable tanned Leather; was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

Ordinance to
appoint In-
spectors of
tanned Lear.
read first Time—

The Ordinance from the Commons House for appointing Inspectors of tanned Leather for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury in this Province; was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be read a second Time to Morrow.

Bill to establish
sevl. Ferries
read first Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing several Ferries in this Province, and for vesting the same in the Persons therein mentioned; was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

Bill for Sale of
Ogechee Ferry
read second
Time

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to put up to Sale for the Benefit of the Public the Ferry over great Ogechee River at a Place called the Pine Bluff for a Term of five Years, and to authorise the said

Commissioners to inspect and regulate the said Ferry;
was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

Committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee
of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee
upon the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 3^o Martii 1768^o

Bill laying
Duty on raw
Hides read 2d
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
an Act for granting to his Majesty a Duty upon raw neat
Hides exported from this Province, and for preventing
the Exportation of unmerchantable tanned Leather; was
read a second Time.

and

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee
of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee
upon the said Bill on Monday next.

Ordinance
appointing In-
spectors of
tanned Lear.
read 2d Time—

The Ordinance from the Commons House for appoint-
ing Inspectors of Tanned Leather for the Ports of Sa-
vannah and Sunbury in this Province, was read a second
Time.

and And it being proposed that the Ordinance be committed.

Committed ORDERED That the Ordinance be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance on Monday Next.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
 Bill to establish an Act for establishing several Ferries in this Province
 sevl. Ferries read 2d Time— and for vesting the same in the Persons therein mentioned; was read a second Time.

and

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

Committed ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Tuesday next.

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put
 House in Com- into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Com-
 mittee on Bill mons House intituled an Act to empower the Commis-
 for Sale of sioners therein Named to put up to Sale for the Benefit
 Ogechee Ferry. of the Public the Ferry over great Ogechee River at a
 Place called the Pine Bluff for a Term of five Years, and
 to authorise the said Commissioners to Inspect and Regulate the said Ferry;

After some Time,

The House was resumed; and M^r Elliott reported that
 Bill reported the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he
 without was directed to report the same to the House without
 Amendment. any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the
 Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 4^o Martii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 5^o Martii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunae 7^o Martii 1768^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to impower the Commissioners therein named to put up to Sale for the Benefit of the Public the Ferry over great Ogechee River at a Place called the Pine Bluff for a Term of five Years, and to authorise the said Commissioners to inspect and regulate the said Ferry ; was

Bill for Sale of
Ogechee Ferry
read 3d Time—

and read a third Time And an Amendment was made thereto by the House.

Passed Then the Question was put Wether ^(sic) this Bill with the Amendment shall pass?

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to Coms. House. ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendment made by this House thereto.

House in Committee on Duty Bill on raw Hides— The House was adjourned dureing Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons house intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty a Duty upon raw neat Hides exported from this Province, and for preventing the Exportation of unmerchantable tanned Leather;

After some Time

Reported with out Amend- ment— The House was resumed, and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment; and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That ^(sic) Bill be read a third Time to Morrow.

House in Committee on Ordinance appointing Inspectors of tanned Lear. The House was again adjourned dureing Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ordinance from the Commons House for appointing Inspectors of Tanned Leather for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury in this Province.

After some Time.

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that

Reported with-
out Amend-
ment—

the Committee had gone through the Ordinance, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without Amendment; and he delivered the Ordinance in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be read a third Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 8^o Martii 1768^o

Duty Bill on
raw Hides read
a third Time—

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty a Duty upon raw neat Hides exported from this Province, and for preventing the Exportation of unmerchantable tanned Leather; was read a third Time.

Then the Question was put Whether this Bill shall pass?

Passed

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Ordinance
appointing
Inspectors of
tanned Lear.
read a third
Time—

The Ordinance from the Commons House for appointing Inspectors of Tanned Leather for the ports of Savannah and Sunbury in this Province was read a third Time.

Then the Question was put Whether this Ordinance
and shall pass?

Passed It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House
ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons
House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Or-
dinance, and acquaint them that this House hath agreed
to the same without any Amendment.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to amend the
Road Law—
The House was adjourned durement Pleasure and put
Into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Com-
mons House intituled an Act to amend an Act to empower
the Several Commissioners or Survayers thereafter
named to lay out and make such public Roads in the
Province of Georgia as are therein after Mentioned and
directed and to continue to work upon clear repair and
improve the several Roads already laid out and also the
Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective
Divisions.

After some Time

Bill amended. The House was resumed and M^r Elliot reported that
the Committee had gone through the Bill and made sev-
eral Amendments thereto which he was directed to re-
port when the honourable House will please to receive
the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to establish
Ferries—
The House was again adjourned durement Pleasure and
put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the
Commons House intituled an Act for establishing several
Ferries in the Province and for vesting the same in the
Persons therein mentioned.

After some Time

Reported
without
Amendment—

The House was resumed and M^r Johnson reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Morrow.

Bill fm. Coms.
House to en-
courage Irish
Protestants to
come in—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Simpson that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for encouraging a certain Number of Protestants from the northern Parts of the Kingdom of Ireland to come into the Province within a limited Time and for defraying the Expence thereof; to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House, And the said Bill was read the first Time, and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first
Time

Also the following Message in writing was brought by the said M^r Simpson, viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly 7th March 1768.

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeing to
Amendmt.
in Bill for Sale
of Ogechee
Ferry—

This House haveing taken under Consideration the Amendment made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act to impower the Commissioners therein named to put up to Sale for the Benefit of the Public the Ferry over great Ogechee River at a Place called the Pine Bluff for a Term of five Years and to authorise the said Commissioners to inspect and regulate the same: Doth agree with your House in the'said Amendment.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 9^o Martii 1768^o

Amendmts. to
the Bill to
amend the
Road Law re-
ported fm-
Committee.

Mr Elliot from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the several Commissioners or Surveyers thereafter named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are thereafter mentioned and directed, and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions, Which Amendments being read twice were with an Amendment agreed to by the House.

Agreed to by
the House.

The Title
Altered.

It is Resolved That the Title of the Bill be an additional Act to the Act of the general Assembly intituled an Act to empower the several Commissioners or Surveyers therein after named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are herein after mentioned and directed; and to continue to work upon clear repair and improve the several Roads already laid out also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions; for dividing the second North west Division upon the Northside of great Ogechee River in the Parish of S^t Mathew; and for empowering the Commissioners or Surveyers of Roads in the third South West Division to lay out a public Road within the same and for appointing additional Commissioners or Surveyers for the said Division. And for amending the Eighth Clause of the said recited Act.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Morrow.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intit-

Bill to establish
sevl. Ferries
read third
Time--

uled an Act for establishing several Ferries in this Province and for vesting the same in the Persons therein mentioned was read a third Time, and some Amendments were made thereto by the House .

Passed

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amèndments made by this House thereto.

M^r President informed the House that he had two Messages from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House, and he presented the same accordingly and the said Messages were read and are as follow—

Honourable Gentlemen

A Message fm.
his Excell. the
Governour--

It gives me concern to acquaint you that I have received his Majesty's royal Disallowance and Repeal of an Act of this Province passed the 25th March 1765 Intituled an Act for the ordering and governing of Negroes and Other Slaves in this Province and to prevent the inveighling and carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers.

And also his Majestys royal Disallowance and Repeal of an Act of this Province passed the 6th Day of March 1766 Intituled an Act for encouraging Settlers to come into this Province, and granting to his Majesty the Sum of One thousand Eight hundred and fifteen pounds Sterling to be issued in Certificates by the Commissioners herein after named for the said Purpose, and also for

the rebuilding the Court House in Savannah in Consequence of an Act of the general Assembly passed the 29th Day of February 1764. And as the Repeal of these Laws seem to be Matters of great Moment to the Province I must Recommend it to you to consider what is most expedient and necessary to be done in Consequence thereof

JA: WRIGHT Savannah
the 9th of March 1768.

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm. His
Excellcy. the
Governour—

By the last Packet from England I received his Majesty's royal additional Instruction dated at St James's the 11th Day of September last, Reciting that: Whereas his Majesty had thought fit by his additional Instruction to the Governour of South Carolina to direct him upon the Receipt thereof to give positive Orders to the proper Officers in that Province forthwith to prepare Transcripts duely authenticated of all the Patents granted under the Seal of that Province for Lands to the Southward of the River Alatomaha with other Proceedings thereupon, and to transmit the same with all convenient Dispatch to me Which Transcripts I am to cause to be entred upon Record in the proper Offices in this Province. And his Majesty haveing disapproved of the Act passed in this Province in March 1765 relative to those Grants has directed me to recommend it to you to pass an Act for establishing a less exceptionable Method of enforcing the Cultivation of Lands and for erecting a Court of Commission before which the several Persons claiming Lands to the Southward of the River Alatomaha by Vertue of Patents Granted under the Seal of South Carolina are to make and substantiate their respective Claimes within the space of twelve Month from the Time of passing such Act and Providing that in Case the Grantees, or others claiming under them shall neglect to establish their Grants before such Commissioners the Lands shall be—

come forfeited and revested in his Majesty his Heirs and Successors without any further or other Process.

I do therefore Gentlemen, accordingly recommend it to you to take his Majestys said Instruction unto your serious Consideration and to proceed thereupon in such manner as may most effectually carry his Majestys gracious Intention into Execution And for your further Information I now lay the said Instruction before you.

JA: WRIGHT Savannah
the 9th of March 1768

GEORGE R Additional Instruction to our trusty and wellbeloved James Wright Esq^r our Cap^t General and Governour in chief of our Colony of Georgia in America Given at our Court at S^t James the 11th Day of Sept^r 1767 in the seventh Year of our Reign.

L. S.

His Majesty's
additional in-
struction to his
Excellcy.

WHEREAS we have thought fit by our additional Instruction to the Governour of our Province of South Carolina to direct him upon the Receipt thereof to to give positive Orders to the proper Officers in that our Province forthwith to prepare Transcripts duely authenticated: of all the Patents granted under the Seal of that Province for Lands to the Southward of the River Altamaha, And also of all Orders, Warrants and proceedings thereupon and transmit the same with all convenient Dispatch to you or to the Commander in Chief of our Colony of Georgia for the time being It is our Will and Pleasure that you do forthwith upon the Receipt of such Transcripts cause the same to entred upon Record in all the proper Offices in our said Colony under your Government.

And whereas our Comissioners for Trade and Planta-

tions have in their Report to Us upon an Act passed in our said Colony in March 1765 containing Regulations for the Establishment of the Titles of the Several Persons claiming the said Lands and for enforcing the Cultivation thereof represented: That this Act not only prescribes other Terms and Conditions than those upon which the Lands were granted conformable to our Instructions to the Governour of South Carolina but also in the Manner of ascertaining the Titles of the Several Grantees leaves it intirely to the Direction of of ^(sic) our Governour and Council of Georgia to decide what the Nature of the Proof to be brought in Support of such Titles shall be, and further does limit the Time of adducing such Proofs to six Months from the Receipt and Notification in the Gazette thereof our Confirmation of the Act without any Exception in the Cases of Infants, insane Persons or those under other natural Disabilities which Exceptions by the strict Rules of Law ought to be provided in every Case of this Nature. It is therefore our further Will and Pleasure and you are hereby directed and required to recommend to the Council and Assembly of our said Colony of Georgia to pass an Act for establishing a less exceptionable Method of enforcing the Cultivation of Lands and for erecting a Court of Commission before which the several Persons claiming Lands to the Southward of the River Alatamaha by Virtue of Patents granted under the seal of our Province of South Carolina are to make and Substantiate their respective Claims within the Space of twelve Months from the Time of passing such Act, and providing that in Case the Grantees or others Clameing under them shall Neglect to establish their Grants before such Commissioners the Lands shall become forfeited, and be revested in Us our Heirs and Successors without any further or other Process.

G R.

ORDERED That the following Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery.

Upper House of Assembly 9th March 1768.

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
desiring a Con-
ference—

The Message sent this Day by his Excellency the Governour to this House respecting the Repeal of certain Acts of the General Assembly appear to contain Matters of so much Consequence to the Province that the Consideration of them should by no Means be delayed; This House therefore desires a Conference of both houses on the Subject of the said Messages to be in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber at four o'Clock this Afternoon.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson in the following words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 9th March 1768

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeing to
Conference—

This house haveing taken under Consideration the Message from your House of this date doth agree to the Conference proposed: And also hath appointed a Committee to inspect such Part of the Journals of your House they may think Necessary.

And then the House adjourned till four oClock in the Afternoon.

Die Mercurii Post Merediem.

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and went to the Conference with the Commons House on the Subject Matter of his Excellency the Governours Messages.

After some Time

The House was resumed.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 10^o Martii 1768^o

Additional Bill
to the Road
Law read a
third Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Common House intituled an additional Act to the Act of the general Assembly intituled an Act to impower the several Commissioners or Surveyers therein after named to lay out and make such public Roads in the Province of Georgia as are herein aftermentioned and directed, and to Continue to work upon clear repair And improve the several Roads already laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within the several Respective Divisions for dividing the second North west Division of the Roads in this Province into two Parts—for Establishing a Division upon the North Side of great Ogeechee River in the Parish of S^t Mathew and for empowering the Commissioners or Surveyers of Roads in the third South west Division to lay cut a public Road within the same and for appointing

additional Commissioners or Surveyers for the said Division, And for amending the Eighth Clause of of ^(sic) the said recited Act; was read a third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

Passed with
Amendmts.

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and devise ^(sic) their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

And then the House adjourned till four o'Clock in the Afternoon.

Die Jovis post Merediem

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeing to
Amendmts.
made in Ferry
Bill—

A Message was brought from the Commons House by Mr John Simpson that the Commons House haveing taken under Consideration the Amendments made by this House to a Bill intituled an Act for establishing several Ferries in this Province and for vesting the same in the Persons therein mentioned doth agree to the said amendments.

Ordinance fm.
Coms. Ho: ap-
pointg. Comp-
troller &c. of
country Duties
for Port of
Sunbury

Read the first
Time.

And also that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance for appointing Robert Nichols Esq^r Comptroller and Collector of the Country Duties for the port of Sunbury in this Province; to which they desere the Concurrence of this honourable House, and the said Ordinance was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be read a second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning eleven o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 11^o Martii 1768

Report of the
Conference
with Coms.
Ho: on the
Subject of his
Excellency's Mes-
sages—

M^r Elliot reported that the House had attended the Conference with the Commons House on the Subject Matter of his Excellency's Messages, and it was unanimously resolved that for the relief of the Province it was necessary some Temporary Law respecting the Negroes should be prepared and passed (in Place of the repealed Law) to be of Force untill a proper Representation of the Matter can be made to his Majesty.) ^(sic) And that a less exceptionable Law (than that heretofore passed and disapproved of by his Majesty) respecting the Carolina Grantees of Land to the Southward of the River Alatomaha, should be also framed in Obedience to his Majestys royal Instruction, and the Recommendation thereof by his Excellency the ^(sic) in his Messages.

RESOLVED That this House doth agree in the said Resolution.

Ordinance for
appointg.
Comptroller
&c. read 2d
Time

The Ordinance from the Commons House for appointing Robert Nicholds Esq^r Comptroller and Collector of the Country Duties for the Port of Sunbury in this Province was read a second Time.

and

And it being proposed that the Ordinance be committed.

Committed

ORDERED That the Ordinance be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance on Tuesday Next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 12th Martii 1768°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 14° Martii 1768°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 15° Martii 1768°

Resolution of
the House
touching the
Repeal of sun-
dry Laws &c.—

RESOLVED That his Majestys royal Disallowance and
Repeal of the Act of the general Assembly of this Prov-
ince for the better ordering and governing Negroes and
Other slaves, And of the Act for encourageing Settlers

to come into this Province &° this House doth Look upon ot be of great Moment, and will readily and Cheerfully concur in any Measure that may be thought expedient to avert the Inconvenience and Distress the Province may Otherwise be involved in by the Repeal of those Laws. And that this House will also concur in whatever may most effectually carry into Execution his Majesty's gracious Intention as expressed in his Royal Instruction to his Excellency, respecting the Grants passed in S° Carolina for Lands to the Southward of the River Alatomaha: his Majesty haveing thought fit to Disapprove of the Law heretofore passed in this Province for that purpose.

Address to
his Excellency.
thereon—

RESOLVED That an Humble Address be presented to his Excellency upon the said Resolution and that M^r Johnson & M^r Martin do present the same.

House in Com-
mittee on Ordinance appoint-
ing a Comptroller &c.—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committe on the Ordinance from the Commons House for appointing Robert Nichols Esq^r Comptroller and Collector of the Country Duties for the port of Sunbury in this Province.

After some time

Reported with-
out Amend-
ment—

The House was resumed and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Ordinance and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and the delivoured the Ordinance in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be read a third Time on the 23^d Inst.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 16^o Martii 1768

The House adjourned till to morrow
Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 17^o Martii 1768

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven oClock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 18^o Martii 1768

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven oClock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 19^o Martii 1768^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 21^o Martii 1768

The House adjourned till to morrow
Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 22^o Martii 1768.

The House adjourned till to morrow
Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 23^o Martii 1768

The Ordinance from the Commons House appointing
Robert Nichols Esq^r Comptroller and Collector of the
Country Duties for the Port of Sunbury in this Province, was Read a third time.

Ordinance appointing Comptroller &c. read a third Time—

Then the Question was put Whether this Ordinance shall pass.

Passed

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Ordinance and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And sent to Coms. House

Bill fm. Coms.
House to estab-
lish a Jurisdic-
tion for trial of
Negroes &c.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Simpson that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Negroes and Other Slaves, and Other Persons therein Mentioned, directing the Mode of Evidence and Trial, and for the Punishment of Crimes and Offences committed by them and also for makeing other necessary Regulations relating to such slaves and other Persons; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House.

Read the first
Time.

And the said Bill was read the First time and Ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time To morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 24th Martii 1768

New Bill for
trial of Negroes
read 2d Time—

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Negroes and Other Slaves and Other Persons therein mentioned, directing the mode of Evidence and Trial and for the punishment of Crimes and Offences committed by them and also for making other necessary Regulations relating to such Slaves and other Persons, was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

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ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson in the following words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 24 March 1768.

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
desiring Con-
ference on Let-
ter recd. fm.
Mr. Garth.

This House having received a Letter from Charles Garth Esq^r of London containing Sundry Matters of Moment to the Welfare of this Province desire a free Conference with your House on the Subject Matter of the said Letter.

ORDERED That the following Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 24th March 1768.

M^r Speaker

Answer to
said Message

This House being always ready to confer with your House on every Matter that may be thought important or of Moment to this Province do agree to the free Conference requested to be Held in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber immediately.

The House adjourned during Pleasure and went to the Conference; which being Ended.

The House was resumed.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 25° Martii 1768

Ordinance fm.
Coms. Ho: ap-
pointing an
Agent—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson that the Commons House had passed an Ordinance appointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain, to which they desire the Concurrence of this hon^{ble} House and the said Ordinance was read the first Time and Ordered to be read a Second Time.

Read the first
Time

ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a second Time.

And a second
Time

And the said Ordinance was accordingly read a second Time.

and

And it being approved that the Ordinance be Committed.

Committed

ORDERED That the Ordinance be Committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance on the fifth Day of Aprill next.

House in Com-
mittee on new
Negro Bill—

The House was adjourned durement Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Negroes and Other Slaves and Other Persons therein Mentioned directing the Mode of Evidence and Tryal, and for the punishment of Crimes and Offences committed by them and also for making other necessary Regulations relating to such slaves or other Persons.

After some Time

Bill amended.

The House was resumed, and Mr Johnson reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received on Wednesday next.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 26° Martii 1768

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 28° Martii 1768

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 29° Martii 1768°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 30^o Martii 1768

Amendmts. to
new Negroes
Bill reported
fm. Commit-
tee—

Mr Johnson from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Negroes and other slaves and other Persons therein Mentioned directing the Mode of Evidence and Trial, and for the punishment of crimes & Offences comitted by them, and also for making other Necessary Regulations relating to such Slaves & Other persons Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

Agreed to by
the House

and

ORDERED That the Bill be now Read a third Time.

Read a third
Time

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

Passed

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass.

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master In Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Bill fm. Coms.
House to con-
tinue sevl.
Laws.

A Message from the Commons House by Mr John Simpson, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for continuing the several Laws therein mentioned, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House, and the said Bill was read the first Time and Ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first
Time

and

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a second Time.

second Time And the Bill was accordingly read a Second Time.

and And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed.

Committed ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Tuesday Next.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 31^o Martii 1768

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 1^o Aprilis 1768

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 2^o Aprilis 1768

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 4^o Aprilis 1768

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Martis 5 Aprilis 1768

The House was adjourned during pleasure & put
House in Committee on Ordinance appointing an Agent—
 Into a Committee on the Ordinance from the Commons
 House appointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to
 solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain.

After some Time

The House was resumed And M^r Powell reported that
Ordinance amended.
 the Committee had gon through the Ordinance and made
 an Amendment thereto which he was directed to report
 when the honourable House will please to Receive the
 same.

ORDERED That the report be now received.

And M^r Powell accordingly read the report in his
Amendmt. reported and agreed to by the House—
 place and afterward delivered it in at the Table where
 the Amendment was read and agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a Third
 Time.

Ordinance read 2d Time—
 And the same was accordingly read the Third Time.

Passed. Then The Question was put, Whether this Ordinance with the Amendment shall pass.

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House. ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Ordinance and desire their Concurrence in the Amendment made by this House thereto.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to continue sev-
eral Laws— The House was again adjourned dureing Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for continuing the several Laws therein Mentioned.

After some Time

Reported
without
Amendment— The House was resumed and Mr Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.
and

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time

Read a third
Time And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

Passed Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House. ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by S^r Partrick Houstoun in the following Words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 5th April 1768.

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeing to
Amendmts.
made in new
Negro Bill and
Ordinance
appointg. an
Agent—

This House having taken into Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Negroes and Other slaves and other Persons therein mentioned directing the Mode of Evidence and Trial and for the Punishment of Crimes and Offences committed by them and also for making Other necessary Regulations relating to each ^(sic) Slaves and othe Persons, And also the Amendment to the Ordinance for appointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain doth agree with your House in the said Amendments.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Mercurii 6^o Aprilis 1768^o

Tax Bill brot.
from the Com-
mons House—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of Three thousand three hundred and seventy five Pounds four Shillings and one penny for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the year One Thousand seven Hundred and Sixty Eight to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears to Which they desire the Concrrence ^(sic) of this Honourable House

Read the first
Time

And the said Bill was read the first Time and Ordered to be read a Second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a second Time.

Tax Bill read 2d
Time

And the Bill was accordingly read a second Time.

and

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed.

Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill Tomorrow.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Jovis 7^o Aprilis 1768.

House in Com-
mittee on Tax
Bill—

The House was adjourned dureing Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the sum of Three Thousand three hundred & Seventy five pounds four Shillings and one penny for the Use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the year One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty Eight to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Arrers.

After some Time.

The House was resumed and M^r Johnson reported

Reported
without
Amendment—

that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time.

Read a third
Time.

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass.

Passed

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to the
Coms. House—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

A Message was sent to Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 7th April 1768

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
desiring a Com-
mittee of their
Ho: to join a
Committee of this
Ho: to prepare
an Address to
the Governour
that he will
please to As-
sent to new
Negro Bill—

A Bill intituled an Act for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Negroes and Other Slaves and Other Persons therein mentioned directing the Mode of Evidence and Trial and for the Punishment of Crimes and Offences committed by them and also for making other necessary Regulations relating to such Slaves and other Persons haveing been framed and passed both Houses for the purpose of averting the Distress this province might Otherwise be involved in by his Majestys royal Disallowance and Repeal of the Act heretofore passed intituled, "an Act for the Better Ordering and governing "Negroes and other Slaves in this Province and to prevent inveighling and carrying away Slaves from their "Masters or Employers" This House desire that you

will appoint a Committee of your house to join a Committee of this house in drawing up an Address of both Houses to be presented to his Excellency the Governor that he will be pleased to give his assent to the Law so prepared and passed.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson in the following words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 7th April 1768.

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeing
thereto—

This House having taken under Consideration your Message of this Date acquainting the House that you had appointed a Committee to join a Committee of this House in drawing up an address of both Houses to present to his Excellency the Governour that he will be pleased to give his Assent to the Bill intituled An Act for Establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Negroes and Other Slaves and Other Persons therein mentioned, directing the Mode of Eveidence and Trial and for the Punishment of Crimes and Offences committed by them, and also for making other necessary Regulations relating to such Slaves and Other persons, This House hath appointed a Committee to join a Commitee of your House for the said purpose.

Committee John Smith Noble Wimberly Jones and
John Simpson Esq^r

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Veneris 8° Aprilis 1768

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Sabbati 9° Aprilis 1768°

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 42.)

Die Lunæ 11° Aprilis 1768

Address pre-
pared by joint
Committee
reported

M^r Johnson from the Committee of this House appointed to Join a Committee of the Commons House to prepare an Address to his Excellency the Governour that he would be pleased to give his Assent to a Bill passed both Houses this Session intituled An Act for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Negroes and other Slaves and other Persons therein named directing the Mode of Evidence and Trial, and for the Punishment of Crimes and Offences committed by them, and also for making other necessary Regulations relateing to such Slaves and Other Persons.

Reported that the joint Committee had prepared an Address accordingly which he read in his place and then

And agreed to delivered it in at the Table, where the address was read
by the Ho: and agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words, viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 11th April 1768

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
thereon—

Upon Report from the Committee of this House appointed to join a Committee of your House in preparing an Address to his Excellency the Governour that he would be pleased to give his Assent to the Bill passed both Houses this Session Intituled an Act for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Negroes and Other Slaves and other persons therein Mentioned, directing the Mode of Evidence and Trial, and for the Punishment of Crimes and Offences committed by them and also for making other Necessary Regulations relateing to such Slaves and Other persons this House doth agree to the Address so prepared.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r John Simpson in the following Words viz^t

Commons house of Assembly 11th April 1768

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeing to
Address pre-
pared.

In Answer to your Message of this Date acquainting this House that your House had agreed to the Address prepared by the Committee of Both houses to his Excellency the Governour that he would please to give his assent to the Bill passed both Houses this Sessions intituled An Act for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Negroes and other Slaves and other persons therein mentioned directing the Mode of Evidence and

'Trial, and for the Punishment of Crimes and Offences committed by them, and also, for making other necessary Regulations relating to such Slaves and other persons This House doth agree with your House to the address so prepared.

ORDERED That the said Address be entered in the Journal as follows viz^t

To his Excellency James Wright Esq^r Captain general and Governour in cheif of his Majesty's Province of Georgia Chancellor and Vice Admiral of the same.

The Address of both Houses of Assembly of the said province

May it please your Excellency

Address to
his Excellency.

We his Majestys most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council and Commons House of Assembly in general assembly met beg leave to acquaint your Excellency that upon taken into our serious Consideration your Message relative to his Majestys royal Disallowance of a law of this Province intituled An Act for the Better ordering and governing of Negroes and Other Slaves in this Province and to prevent the inveigling and carrying away Slaves from their Masters or Employers—the Manifold Evils and Inconveniences that must arise from the Repeal of that Act ware so apparent to us that we unanimously came to a Resolution to bring in a Bill for “Establishing” a Jurisdiction for the Tryal of Negroes and other slaves and Other persons therein Mentioned directing the Mode of Evidence and Trial, and for the punishment of Crimes and Offences committed by them and also for making other Necessary Regulations relating to such slaves and other Persons, as the only expedient that could be thought of for remedying the

dreadful Consequences We Apprehended from the want of such an Act, a Bill for the purpose was accordingly prepared and has passed both Houses to which we earnestly request your Excellencys Assent.

This we hope you will be induced to grant us from the Regard you have for the welfare and safety of the Province as from your Excellencys Knowledge of our local Circumstances and Situation with Respect to our Slaves, the absolute Necessity for passing some Law for ascertaining the Crimes Committed by them and prescribing a summary Method of Trial, must evidently appear to you.

In framing the Bill to which we now request your Excellencys Assent we beg Leave to Assure you that we have with the greatest Care avoided whatever we apprehended might appear exceptionable, and have through the whole of it, had the strictest Regard to the Principles ^(sic) of Humanity and Equity as far as was consistent with not only the Welfare, but the very being of the Province.

We therefore flatter ourselves that if this Bill receives your Excellencys Assent it will meet with the Approbation of our most gracious Sovereign who has the prosperity and Happiness of all his Subjects ever at Heart.

ORDERED That M^r President do sign the said Address when it shall have been ingrossed by the Clerk of the Commons House.

Address
presented

His Excellency the Governour came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons house by the Master In Chancery requiring their attendance in the Council Chamber Immediately, and M^r Speaker with the Commons House attending, the ingrossed Address of both

Houses being signed was presented to his Excellency by M^r President.

To which said Address his Excellency was pleased to give an Answer in the following words viz^t

Gentlemen

His Excellency's Answer.

I am truly sensible of the Necessity there is for having a Negro Law, indeed that without one we shall be involved in the greatest Difficulties—therefore agreeable to your Request and to shew my hearty Disposition to relieve the good people of this province and save them from the unavoidable Inconveniences and Distress they would be rendred lyable to for want of a Negro Law, I shall give my Assent to this Bill notwithstanding it may be contrary to one of his Majestys royal Instructions to me: And I shall transmit to his Majestys Ministers the strongest Reasons I can devise in Order to obtain Leave to Assent to a more general and extensive Law for the better Government and Regulations of our Slaves.

After which his Excellency gave his Assent to the following Bills namely

His Excellency gives his Assent to the several Bills following—

An Act for granting to his Majesty the sum of Three thousand three Hundred and seventy five pounds four Shillings and one penny for the use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year One thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty Eight to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned and for the more effectual collecting of Arrears.

An Act for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Negroes and other Slaves and other Persons therein mentioned directing the mode of Evidence and Trial, and for the Punishment of Crimes and offences com-

mitted by them, and also for making other Necessary Regulations relating to such Slaves and Other Persons.

An Act for establishing several Ferries in this Province and for vesting the same in the Persons therein mentioned.

An Ordinance for Appointing Inspectors of Tanned Leather for the ports of Savannah and Sunbury in this Province.

An Ordinance for appointing Robert Nichols Esq^r Comptroller and Collector of the Country Duties at the port of Sunbury.

An Act for regulating the Assize of Bread.

An Act to prevent as much as may be the spreading of The small pox in this Province.

His Excellcy.
gives his As-
sent to the sev-
eral following
Bills—

An Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to put up to Sale for the Benefit of the Publick the Ferry over great Ogechee River at a place Called the Pine Bluff for a Term of five Years and to authorise the said Commissioners to inspect and Regulate the said Ferry.

An Ordinance appointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain.

An Act for continuing the several Laws therein mentioned.

An Act to explain an Act intituled an Act for ascertaining the Qualification of Jurors and for establishing the Method of balloting and summoning of Jurors in the Province of Georgia.

An additional Act to the Act of the general Assembly intituled an Act to impower the several Commissioners or Surveyors therein after named to lay out and make such publick Roads in the province of Georgia as are herein after mentioned and directed and to continue to work upon clear Repair and improve the several Roads already laid out and also the Rivers and Creeks within their several and respective Divisions, for Dividing the second North West Division of the roads in this province into two parts for establishing a Division upon the North side of Great Ogechee River in the parish of S^t Matthew; and for empowering the Commissioners or Surveyors of Roads in the third South west Division to lay out a public Road within the same; and for appointing additional Commissioners or Surveyors for the said Division

An Act to impower the Church Wardens and Vestry of the Parish of Christ Church to enlarge the Cemetery or public burial Ground at Savannah and to inclose the same.

An Act for granting to his Majesty a Duty upon raw neat Hides exported from this Province, and for preventing the Exportation of unmerchantable tanned Leather.

And then his Excellency dissolved the general Assembly.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

GEORGIA

Copy of the Journals of the Upper House met in general Assembly on Monday the 7th November 1768.

CHA^s WATSON C. G. A.

Great Seal taken off by S. B.

GEORGIA

Journal of the upper House convened in General Assembly on Monday the Seventh day of November 1768. Being the first Session of the Sixth General Assembly in and for the Province of Georgia appointed to meet at Savannah.

Die Lunæ 7^o Novembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 8^o Novembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven OClock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 9^o Novembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven OClock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 10^o Novembris 1768^o

Message fm.
his Excellency the
Governour

Mr President Informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House, and he delivered the same in at the Table where the said Message was read, and is as follows Viz.

Honourable Gentlemen

I do hereby Adjourn the upper House of Assembly untill Monday the 14th day of this Instant November then to Meet for the Dispatch of Business; and it is Accordingly Adjourned to the 14th day of this Instant.

Given under my hand at Savannah the 10th day of November 1768.

JA WRIGHT

To the Honourable the President and }
Members of the upper House of Assembly }

And the House Accordingly Adjourned
'till Monday the 14th Instant Eleven
o'Clock in the forenoon.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 14^o Novembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven OClock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 15^o Novembris 1768^o

His Excellency the Governour came to the House.

A Message to his Excellency from the Commons House by M^r Smith and M^r Ewen; That the Commons house have Chosen a Speaker, and desire to know when his Excellency will please to be waited on in order to present their Speaker for his Excellency's Approbation. His Excellency answered he was then ready to receive them; Accordingly the Commons House waited on his Excellency and Presented Noble Wimberly Jones Esq^r their Speaker and his Excellency greatly Approved their Choice.

Then his Excellency made a Speech to both house ^(sic) and having left the House, M^r President took the Chair and reported that his Excellency the Governour had made a Speech to both Houses, of which M^r President said, to prevent Mistakes, he had Obtained a Copy which was read to the House and is as follows Viz.

Honourable Gentlemen, M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of
the Assembly

His Majesty having been graciously pleased to order

His Excellency
the Govern-
our's Speech to
both Houses

that the Regulation of the Indian Trade shall for the future be left to the Colonies whose Legislatures can best Judge what their Several Situations and Circumstances may require; and having also given it me in Charge that provision be made by the most Effectual Laws for preventing any Settlements being made beyond the Boundary Line Settled and agreed upon with the Indians; and for the punishment of all persons who by Encroaching or Trespassing on the Lands of the Indians may in any wise endanger the Public peace, also for the Controul and Punishment of those Atrocious Frauds and Abuses which are too often Practised and Committed by those persons who Trade with the Indians: I am therefore to recommend these important Matters to your most Serious Consideration that such a Bill may be framed as may best Secure to us peace and Quiet as well as a beneficial Inter-course with the Indians: And if any other Matters Occur to you which may be productive of Salutary Consequences to this Province, and requiring the Aid of the Legislature I shall very readily and with Great Pleasure join therein.

I have the Satisfaction to acquaint you that his Majesty has, on my representation and request been graciously pleased to approve of my appropriating for a Time Three Hundred Pounds, out of the Powder fund for Building the Lazaretto; and has also been pleased to authorise me to Sign Grants for Lands in Townships Exempt from Quit Rents for the Term of Ten Years; and has also been pleased to permitt me to pass such a Law for the Government and Regulation of Negroes and other Slaves as I shall think best adapted to the True Policy and Local Circumstances of this Province under a Certain restriction which I shall Communicate to you hereafter—

Gentlemen of the Assembly

As I conceive by passing the Tax Bill earlier than usual the Tax may be made payable at a more Seasonable and better time for the Inhabitants, Therefore I shall direct the Treasurer forthwith to furnish You with an Account of the produce of the last year's Tax, and shall send you an Estimate for the Necessary Service of the Current year together with such Accounts and Demands as may be delivered in to the Treasurer; all which I doubt not but you will chearfully provide for.

I have observed in our Gazette of the 31st of August last a Letter from your late Speaker to the Speaker of the House of Representatives in the Province of the Massachusetts's Bay acknowledging the receipt of a Letter from him dated the 11th of February last, and amongst other things assuring him that when the Assembly should meet he would lay the same before the House— I am therefore to acquaint you that his Majesty considers that Measure to be of a most dangerous and Factious tendency, and that I have it in Charge to endeavour to prevail on your House not to receive or give any Countenance to that Letter, and which his Majesty from the Confidence he has in your Affections Expects, but if notwithstanding these Expectations, I should find a Disposition in you to receive or give any Countenance thereto, it will be my Duty to prevent any proceedings thereupon by Immediately putting an End to your Sitting: Let me therefore earnestly intreat you to lay aside every other matter and Consideration and to proceed forthwith upon the Bill recommended to you, also the usual and necessary Business of the Tax Bill; and such other Bills as may be of public and General utility: in which you may rely on my most hearty Concurrence and Assistance

JA WRIGHT

Savannah in Georgia
Council Chamber the
15th November 1768.

RESOLVED, Nemine dissentiente That an Address of thanks be drawn up and presented to his Excellency the Governour for his Affectionate Speech to both Houses.

Committee
appointed to
draw up an
Address in
Answer &c.—

ORDERED That a Committee be Appointed to draw up an Address of thanks to his Excellency the Governour upon the said resolution; and that M^r Powell M^r Bryan and M^r Read be the Committee.

ORDERED That his Excellency the Governour's Speech be referred to the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 16^o Novembris 1768^o

Address re-
ported from
Committee.

M^r Powell from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address of Thanks to his Excellency the Governour for his Affectionate Speech to both houses reported that the Committee had prepared an Address Accordingly which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same

and

ORDERED That the Report be now received.

Agreed to with
Amendments.

And M^r Powell read the same in his Place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table where the Address was read and with some amendments agreed to by the House.

Ordered to be
ingrossed.

ORDERED That the Address be Ingrossed.

ORDERED That M^r Powell and M^r Read do wait on his Excellency the Governour to know when he will Please to receive this House with their Address.

M^r Powell reported that his Excellency the Governour having been waited on pursuant to order to know when he wou'd receive this House with their Address had been pleased to Appoint Three o'Clock this Afternoon.

The ingrossed Address to his Excellency the Governour being read—

Address ordered to be entered on the Journals and signed by Presidt.

ORDERED That M^r President do Sign the same and that the Address be entered in the Journals

To his Excellency James Wright Esq^r Captain General and Governour in Chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia.

The Humble Address of the upper House of Assembly

May it Please your Excellency

Address.

We his Majestys most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects the Council of Georgia in General Assembly met return your Excellency our Sincere thanks for your Speech to both Houses of Assembly wherein You are pleased to Communicate to us that his Majesty has Graciously ordered that the regulation of the Indian Trade shall for the future be left to the Colonies; and has also given your Excellency in Charge that Provision be made by the most Effectual Laws for preventing any Settlements being made beyond the Boundary line agreed upon with the Indians; and for Punishing all persons who by Encroaching on them may Endanger the Public Peace; also for the Controul and Punishment of those Atrocious Frauds too often Committed by Persons who Trade with them: we Shall Attentively consider these Important Matters and Chearfully contribute all in our Power that such a Bill may be framed as may best secure to us Peace and Tranquility; And we cannot but with Pleasure Observe that the Measures hitherto pursued by your Excellency

with those People reflect Honour upon Your Administration, and Justly intitules you to our best Acknowledgements; and we shall with Alacrity concur in every matter that can any wise conduce to the advantage and Prosperity of this Province; in which we make no doubt of your Excellency's Aid and Assistance.

It gives us great satisfaction to find that his Majesty upon your Excellency's Representation has been Graciously pleased to approve of your Appropriating for a Time Three Hundred Pounds out of the Powder fund for building the Lazaretto; and has also Authorized your Excellency to Sign Grants for Lands in Townships Exempt from Quit Rents for the Term of Ten Years; and has likewise permitted your Excellency to pass such a Law for the Government and regulation of Negroes and other Slaves as may best suit our Local Circumstances: for all which Instances of his Majesties royal favour to, and Paternal Care of, this Province, we beg leave to render our dutiful Humble and grateful Acknowledgements—

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 17^o Novembris 1768^o

Mr President reported that the House had Attended his Excellency the Governour and presented their Address, which he received very kindly and was pleased to give the following answer Viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen—

His Excellency's.
Answer to the
Address

I am to return you my best Thanks for the grateful Sense you Express of his Majesty's Goodness and paternal Care of this Province.

Your kind Approbation of my Conduct and readiness to co-operate with me in every Public Measure proposed, I have had Constant Experience of, and which always has, and does now, afford me great Satisfaction.

JA WRIGHT Sav^h in Georgia
the 16th of November 1768^o

And then the House Adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 18^o Novembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 19^o Novembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 21° Novembris 1768°

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven OClock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 22° Novembris 1768°

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven OClock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 23° Novembris 1768°

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven oClock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 24° Novembris 1768°

A Message fm.
his Excellency the
Governour.

Mr President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House; and he presented the same Accordingly, and the Said Message was read and is as follows Viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen.

I have sent you the Report of the Lords of Trade of the 19th July 1767 against our Law for encouraging Settlers &c and also their Report against our Negroe Law, for your Inspection, and then to be sent to the Commons House of Assembly; By this last you will see the Objection to that Law and I am restrained by his Majesty from assenting to any Law whereby Slaves are declared to be Chattels personal: You will therefore Gentlemen consider of this matter and if you have any Objections thereto, if you choose it I shall transmit them and Write to his Majesty's Secretary of State thereupon. I shall only observe that in Virginia and some of the Islands their Negroe Laws are agreeable to this report and declare "That all "Negroe Molatto and Indian Slaves in all Courts of Judicature and other places shall be held taken and Adjudged "to be real Estates (and not Chattels) and shall descend "unto the Heirs and Widows of the persons dying according to the Custom of Land of Inheritance held in "Fee Simple" under Certain Provisoos therein declared and for which see the Laws of Virginia fol 169.

JA WRIGHT Sav^h 24th
Nov^r 1768.

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Underneath you have a Message this day sent by me to the Assembly Viz.

M^r Speaker and Gent of the Assembly—

Copy of Message sent by his Excellency to the Coms. House—

I now send you the usual Estimate of Expence for the Support of Government from the 29th of Sep^r 1768 to the 29th of Sep^r 1769 and have directed the Treasurer to lay before you the several Accounts and demands for Public Services which have been Delivered in to him, and also to give you every other Information you may have Occasion for from his Office.

There is still a further Article of Expence which has Attended that very necessary Service of Marking the Indian Line but as I would choose to lay the whole before you at once I must defer it 'till Mess^{rs} Mackay and M^cGillivray return who are now out upon that Business and I hope will see it Intirely finished cross to the River S^t Mary the South Boundary of this Province.

This is an Article of Expence Gentlemen that I was very hopeful to have saved to the Province, but on my Writing fully to Captain Stewart and pressing him to take it on himself he assures me that he cannot do it; that South Carolina, North Carolina and Virginia have provided for that Expence and that when the Catawba Line was marked Lieut^t Governour Bull applied to him to pay the Expence attending it and on their differing in Opinion they agreed to refer the matter home and it was there deemed to be a provincial Service, and as Such, was afterwards provided for by the Assembly, and paid.

The Flag Staff at Savannah has been rotten and down for many Months, and the Colours are also rotten and much Worn; if therefore you agree with me in Opinion that it may be proper that Colours should be hoisted on particular Occasions, I presume you will provide for this Expence; and would propose that the Flag Staff should be placed in one of the Angles of the North East Caponiers, as it will be at a greater distance from the Magazine, and I believe put up at much less Expence than as formerly fixed. And I also think it Necessary to lay before you a Letter lately received from Captain Powell relative to Fort George at Cockspur for your Consideration.

JA WRIGHT 24th

Nov^r 1768.

I doubt not but you Gentlemen of the Council will concur in the above as far as may lye with you.

JA WRIGHT

Address to his
Excellency that
this Ho: will
cheerfully
concur &c.

RESOLVED That this House (so far as may lye with them) will readily and cheerfully concur with the Commons House in providing for the several Matters and Services recommended by his Excellency in the foregoing Messages.

RESOLVED That an humble Address be presented to his Excellency the Governour upon the aforesaid Resolution and that M^r Powell and M^r Read do present the same

And then the House Adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 25^o Novembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 26^o Novembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 28^o Novembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 29^o Novembris 1768^o

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: to amend
Act to prevent
Frauds in sell-
ing Beef, Pork
&c. &c. &c.—

Read the first
Time.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Edward Telfair; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for amending an Act entituled an Act to prevent frauds and deceits in selling Beef, Pork, Pitch, Tar, Turpentine and Firewood: to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first time and ordered to be read a Second time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Second time to Morrow

And then the House Adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 30^o Novembris 1768^o

Bill to amend
Beef & Pork
Act read a
second Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for amending an Act to prevent Frauds and Deceits in selling Beef, Pork, Pitch, Tar, Turpentine and Firewood was read a Second time.

and

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

Committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That that ^(sic) the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Friday next.

And then the House Adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven oClock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 1^o Decembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 2^o Decembris 1768^o

A Message from the Commons House by M^r William Young; That the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to impower the Commissioners Appointed in and by "an Act of the General Assembly intituled "an Act for laying a Duty upon Negroes and other Slaves "that have been above Six Months in any of the Islands "or Colonies in America and Imported for Sale into this "Province; and for Appropriating the same towards the "repairing or rebuilding the Lighthouse on Tybee Island; "and to prevent Negroe Convicts being Imported into and "Sold in this Province:" to build a new Lighthouse on any part of the Land reserved for the use thereof upon the said Island; and also for procuring an Accurate Survey and Chart of the Sea Coasts and Inlets of the Province and Publishing the same; and for granting to his Majesty the sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred Pounds for the said Purposes: And for Appointing and Impowering Commissioners to Issue Certificates for that Sum and for Sinking the same; and for further Continuing the Acts herein after mentioned—to which Bill they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House; and the same was read the first time, and ordered to be read a Second time.

Bill fm. Coms. Ho. to build Light House on Tybee Island and grantg. his Majesty 2200 £ for that Purpose &c.—

Light-House Bill read 1st Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second time on Wednesday next

The House was Adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for amending an Act intituled an Act to prevent frauds and Deceits in Selling Beef, Pork, Pitch, Tar, Turpentine, and Firewood.

Bill to amend
Beef & Pork
Act in Commit-
tee—

and

After some time

Reported
without
Amendmt.

and

The House was resumed and Mr Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a Third time.

Read a third
Time—

And the Bill was Accordingly read a Third time.

Passed

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and Acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And then the House Adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven O’Clock.

JOURNAL OF UPPER HOUSE

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 3° Decembris 1768°

The House Adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 5° Decembris 1768°

The House Adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 6° Decembris 1768°

The House Adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 7° Decembris 1768°

M^r President Informed the House that he had a Mes-
A Message fm. his Excellency the Governour—sage from his Excellency the Governour Signed by his
 Excellency which he was desired to lay before this House;
 and he delivered it in at the Table where the said Message
 was read and is as follows, Viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

I herewith send you a Memorial which was presented to me Yesterday by the Acting Provost Marshall relative to the insufficiency of the Goal; the Facts therein Stated are Notorious and I must recommend the Consequences of not having a Sufficient and Effectual Goal to your most serious consideration; also how very improper it is that unfortunate Debtors should be Confined together with Criminals of every kind—a Circumstance really shocking to Humanity.

JA WRIGHT Sav^h in Georgia 7th Dec^r 1768.

Address to his
Excellcy. in
Answer thereto
resolved on and
ordered to be
presented—

RESOLVED That this House, with the utmost Chearfulness, will concur with the Commons House in every measure that may be recommended and judged most Effectual to remove the evil set forth and complained of in the said Memorial; and also that unfortunate Debtors may be, in future, more decently treated under the Melancholly Circumstances of Confinement.

RESOLVED That an Humble Address be Presented to his Excellency the Governour upon the foregoing Resolution and that M^r Graham and M^r Johnson do present the same.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r W^m Young in the following words.

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
desiring a Con-
ference re-
specting the
Disallowance of
the Negro Law.

This House desires you will Appoint a Committee of your House to Join a Committee of this, in Conference, to consider that part of his Excellency the Governour's Message respecting the report of the Lords of Trade for the disallowance of the Negroe Law, And if you will join therein you will Appoint your Number Time and place.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words Viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 7th December 1768

Message to the
Coms. Ho :
agreeing to the
Conference
requested.

M^r Speaker

In answer to your Message dated the Fifth Instant this House hath appointed a Committee to join a Committee of Your House in Conference on that part of his Excellency the Governour's Message of the Twenty fourth day of November last which Mentions the Report of the Lords of Trade against the Negroe Law—The Conference to be held in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber to Morrow at Twelve o'Clock.

Committee—Gray Elliot, James Edward Powell and Lewis Johnson Esq^{rs}

Tybee Light
House Bill read
a second Time—

and

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to Impower the Commisioners appointed in and by "an Act of the General Assembly intituled an Act for "laying a Duty upon Negroes and other Slaves that have "been above Six Months in any of the Islands or Colonies in America and imported for Sale into this Province, and for appropriating the same towards the repairing or rebuilding the Light House on Tybee Island; "and to prevent Negroe Convicts being Imported into "and sold in this Province" to build a New Light House on any part of the Land reserved for the use thereof upon the said Island; and also for Procuring an Accurate Survey and Chart of the Sea Coasts and Inlets of this Province and Publishing the same; And for granting to his Majesty the Sum of Two Thousand two Hundred Pounds for the said Purposes; and for appointing and Impowering Commissioners to issue Certificates for that Sum and for Sinking the same; And for further Con-

tinuing the Acts herein after mentioned : was read a Second time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House

Committed ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Friday next.

And then the House Adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 8^o Decembris 1768^o

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r W^m Young in the following Words Viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 8th Dec^r 1768.

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. Ho: with
a Resolution of
the former
House of As-
sembly touch-
ing Instruc-
tions to be
given Agent

The Members of this House who are of the Committee of Correspondence being required to lay before the House Copies of such Instructions as have been Transmitted to the Provincial Agent since the Dissolution of the last Assembly, and having considered the Copy of one Letter, which the House is informed is the only one Transmitted and which does not so sufficiently instruct the Agent as the former House of Assembly required by a Resolution; the reason of which this House is informed was owing to a refusal of some of the Committee who are of your Honourable House.

This House therefore sends you a Copy of the Said Resolution for your Consideration which they think binding upon every Member of the Committee and that it ought to have been punctually complied with.

The House is also of Opinion that the Directions of the Ordinance have been neglected, as they are Informed a Letter has been received from the Agent but never regularly communicated to the Committee; the reason of which they Apprehend ought to be Strictly inquired into by both Houses.

Copy of the Resolution sent with and referred to in the above Message—

In the Commons House of Assembly
Monday 11th April 1768

Copy of the
Resolution—

RESOLVED That the Committee of Correspondence do acquaint Benjamin Franklin Esq^r that the General Assembly have appointed him Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain, and that they do Transmitt him his Appointment under the Provincial Seal; And that they do also instruct M^r Franklin to use his utmost Endeavours in procuring a Repeal of the late Act of Parliament for imposing Duties on Sundry Articles imported into the Colonies from great Britain.

A true Copy from the Original Journals

JN^o SIMPSON C. D. C.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words Viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 8th Dec^r 1768

M^r Speaker

This House having taken into Consideration Your Mes-

Message to the
Coms. House
in Answer to
the foregoing
Message—

sage touching the Instructions transmitted by the Committee of Correspondence to Benjamin Franklin Esq^r the Provincial Agent; And also the Copy of a Resolution your House came to respecting the said Agent, and containing an Instruction resolved to be given him as to his soliciting the Repeal of a late Act of Parliament imposing Duties: For answer thereto must observe that the aforesaid Resolution is an Act of your House only, having Never been communicated to this House for Concurrence therein; (to which they might have had no Objection) And therefore the Members of this House who are of that Committee could not, in the Opinion of this House, join in any instruction to the said Agent founded on a resolution which this House was unacquainted with.

And with respect to the other part of your Message which mentions that the Directions of the Ordinance had not been complied with; this House is ready to Join in any Inquiry on that head that may to them appear necessary to be made.

House adjourned and the
Committee went to the
Conference appointed—

The House was adjourned during pleasure and the Committee went to the Conference appointed with the Commons House.

Which being ended,

The House was resumed;

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 9^o Decembris 1768

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: to amend
and continue
Patrol Act—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Belsher; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to Amend and Continue an Act for Establishing and Regulating Patrols, and for preventing any person from purchasing Provisions or any other Commodities from or selling such to any Slave unless such Slave shall produce a Ticket from his or her Owner Manager or Employer; to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House: and the said Bill was read the first time and ordered to be read a Second time.

Read the first
Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Second time on the twentieth Instant.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
for building
Tybee Light
House—

The House was Adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to impower the Commissioners appointed in and by “an Act of the General Assembly intituled an Act for laying a Duty upon Negroes and other Slaves that have been above Six Months in any of the Islands or Colonies in America and Imported for Sale into this Province and for Appropriating the sametowards therepairing or rebuilding the Light House on Tybee Island; and to prevent Negroe Convicts being imported into and Sold in this Province;” to build a new Light House on any part of the Land reserved for the use thereof upon the said Island; and also for procuring an Accurate Survey and Chart of the Sea Coasts and Inlets of this Province, and publishing the same; And for granting to his Majesty the sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred Pounds for the said Purposes; and for appointing and Impowering Commissioners to issue Cer-

tificates for that sum and for Sinking the same; and for further continuing the Acts herein after mentioned.

After some time—

The House was resumed M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any amendment and he Delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third time on Friday next.

M^r Elliott from a Committee of this House appointed to join a Committee of the Commons House in a Conference on the Subject matter of his Excellency the Governor's Message touching the report of the Lords of Trade for the disallowance of the Negro Law; reported that the Joint Committee had proceeded in the matter but not gone through the same And therefore moved that another time might be appointed for them to join the Committee of the Commons House and sit again.

ORDERED That the Committee of this House do again join the Committee of the Commons House further to consider the said Matter on Wednesday the 21st Instant.

And then the House Adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 10^o Decembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned till Monday Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 12° Decembris 1768°

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: to prevent
fraudulent
Mortgages &c.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Le Conte;
that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an
Act to prevent fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances
and for making Valid all Deeds and Conveyances hereto-
fore made with respect to any Defect in the form and
manner of making thereof with certain restrictions: to
which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable
House: And the said Bill was read the first time and or-
dered to be read a Second time.

Read the first
Time—

and ORDERED That the Bill be now read a Second time.

Second Time. And the said Bill was accordingly read a Second time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed

and ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee
of the Whole House.

Committed. ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee
upon the said Bill on Friday next.

And then the House Adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Märtis 13° Decembris 1768°

The House Adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 14^o Decembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 15^o Decembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 16^o Decembris 1768^o

Bill for building Tybee Light House read a third Time.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to empower the Commissioners appointed in and by an Act of the General Assembly intituled an Act "An Act ^(sic) for laying a Duty upon Negroes and other "Slaves that have been above Six Months in any of the "Islands or Colonies in America and imported for Sale "into this Province and for Appropriating the same to- "wards the repairing or rebuilding the Light house on "Tybee Island; and to Prevent Negroe Convicts being "imported into and Sold in this Province;" to build a New Light House on any part of the Land reserved for the use thereof upon the said Island; and also for procuring an Accurate Survey and Chart of the Sea Coasts and Inlets of this Province and Publishing the same; and

for granting to his Majesty the Sum of Two Thousand two Hundred pounds for the said Purposes and for Appointing and Impowering Commissioners to Issue Certificates for that sum and for Sinking the same; and for further continuing the Acts herein after Mentioned was read a third time.

Passed without
Amendment
and

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Sent to the
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Ho: in Com-
mittee on Bill
to prevent
fraudulent
Mortgages
&c.—

The House was Adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prevent fraudulent Mortgages and Conveyances and for making valid all Deeds and Conveyances heretofore made with respect to any defect in the form and manner of making thereof with certain Restrictions;

After some time,

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed; and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a Third time.

Read a third
Time

And the Bill was Accordingly read a Third time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

Passed

I was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: to encour-
age the Cultiv-
ation of Hemp
&c.—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Edward Telfair; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for encouraging the Cultivation of Hemp Flax and Wheat and for regulating the Inspection of Hemp Flax and Wheat Flower: to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first time and ordered to be read a Second time.

Read the first
Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Second time on Tuesday next.

And then the House Adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 17^o Decembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 19 Decembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 20^o Decembris 1768^o

Bill to encourage the Cultivation of Hemp &c. read a second Time—
The Ingrossed Bill from the Committee ^(sic) House intituled an Act for encouraging the Cultivation of Hemp, Flax, and Wheat and for regulating the Inspection of Hemp Flax and Wheat Flower; was read a Second time.

and

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be Committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Committed Immediately.

ORDERED That the House be forthwith put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

He: in Committee on said Bill.

Accordingly the House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

After some time

Reported without Amendmt.

The House was resumed and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a Third time to Morrow.

Bill to amend and continue Patrol Law read a 2d Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend and continue an Act for Establishing and regulating Patrols, and for preventing any person from purchasing provisions or any other Commodity from or Selling such to any Slave unless such Slave shall produce a Ticket from his or her Owner Manager or Employer; was read a Second time.

and

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be Committed to a Committee of the whole House.

Committed
immediately

ORDERED That the House be forthwith put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

Ho: in Commit-
tee on said Bill.

Accordingly the House was Adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

After some time

Bill amended.

The House was resumed and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the Same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow.

And then the House Adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 21^o Decembris 1768^o

Amendments
to the Patrol
Bill reported

and

M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend and continue an Act for establishing and regulating Patrols, and for preventing any person from purchasing Provisions or any other Commodity from or selling such to any Slave unless such Slave shall produce a Ticket from his or her Owner Manager or Employer, which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

Agreed to by
the House.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a Third time.

Bill read a third
Time

And the Bill was Accordingly read a Third time.

and

Passed

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the affirmative.

Sent to the
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Bill to encour-
age the Culti-
vation of Hemp
&c. &c.—re d a
third Time—

and

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for encouraging the Cultivation of Hemp Flax and Wheat and for regulating the Inspection of Hemp Flax and Wheat Flower; was read a Third Time.

Passed

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

And it was resolved in the Affirmative.

Sent to the
Coms. House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Committee
again in Con-
ference on Dis-
allowance of
Negroe Law—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and the Committee again went to a Conference with the Commons House on the Subject Matter of his Excellency the Governour's Message touching the report of the Lords of Trade for the Disallowance of the Negroe Law;

Which being ended,

Moved to sit
again—

The House was resumed; And M^r Elliott reported that the Joint Committee had made some further Progress in the matter but not gone through the same, and therefore

moved that another time might be appointed for them to join the Committee of the Commons House and Sit again.

12th January
next appointed
for that Pur-
pose.

ORDERED That the Committee of this House again join the Committee of the Commons House further to Consider the said matter on the Twelfth Day of January next.

And then the House Adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 22^o Decembris 1768^o

The House Adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 23^o Decembris 1768^o

Tax Bill from
Coms. House

A Message from the Commons House by M^r William Young; that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for Granting to his Majesty The Sum of three Thousand and forty Six Pounds Sixteen Shillings and eight Pence farthing for the use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1769 to be raised at certain rates and after the Method therein mentioned, And for the more Effectual collecting of Arrears: to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first time and ordered to be read a Second time.

Read the first
Time

and

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a Second time.

Second Time.

And the Bill was Accordingly read a Second time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed.

Tax Bill
committed
Immediate'ORDERED ^(sic) That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be forthwith put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

House in Com-
mittee thereon

Accordingly the House was Adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee upon the said Bill

After some time,

Reported with-
out Amendmt.The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and had directed him to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third time to Morrow

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 24° Decembris 1768°

Tax Bill read a
third Time—

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of Three Thousand and forty Six Pounds Sixteen Shillings and Eight pence farthing for the use and Support of the Government for the Year 1769 to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein Mentioned; And for the

more effectual collecting of Arrears; was read a Third time.

Passed

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House of Assembly by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

His Excellency
the Govr. gave
his Assent to
the following
Bills, vizt.

His Excellency the Governour came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery Requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber immediately; And M^r Speaker with the Commons House attending, his Excellency was pleased to give his assent to the following Bills, Namely,

Act for build-
ing Light
House on Tybee
Island—

An Act To impower the Commissioners appointed in and by an Act of the General Assembly Intituled "An Act "for laying a Duty upon Negroes and other Slaves that "have been above Six Months in any of the Islands or "Colonies in America and Imported for Sale in this "Province, and for Appropriating the same towards "the repairing or rebuilding the Light house on Tybee "Island and to prevent Negroe Convicts being Import- "ed into and Sold in this Province," To build a New Lighthouse on any part of the Land reserved for the use thereof upon the Island And also for Procuring an Accurate Survey and Chart of the Sea Coasts and inlets of this Province and Publishing the same; And for Granting to his Majesty the Sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred Pounds for the said Purposes and for Appropriating and Impowering Commissioners to Issue Certificates for that Sum and for Sinking the same;

and for further continuing the Acts herein after mentioned.

Act to amend - An Act for Amending an Act Intituled An Act to prevent
 Act to prevent Frauds in sell- Frauds and Deceits in Selling Beef, Pork, Pitch, Tar,
 ing Beef &c. Turpentine and Firewood.

Act to amend and continue the Patrol Law— An Act to amend and Continue an Act for the establish-
 ing and regulating Patrols and for preventing any per-
 son from purchasing provisions or any other Commod-
 ities from or Selling such to any Slave, unless such
 Slave shall produce a Ticket from his or her Owner
 Manager or Employer.

Act to prevent fraudulent Mortgages & Conveyances &c. An Act to prevent fraudulent Mortgages and Convey-
 ances And for making Valid all Deeds and Convey-
 ances heretofore made with respect to any Defect in the
 form and manner of making thereof with certain re-
 strictions.

Act to encourage the Cultivation of Hemp &c. &c. An Act for encourageing the Cultivation of Hemp, Flax
 and Wheat and for Regulating the Inspection of Hemp,
 Flax, and Wheat Flour.

Act for raising £ s d 3046 : 16 : 8½ for Support of Governmt. for the Year 1769— An Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of Three
 Thousand and forty Six Pounds Sixteen Shillings and
 Eight pence one farthing for the use and Support of the
 Government of Georgia for the Year One thousand
 Seven Hundred and Sixty Nine to be raised at certain
 rates and after the Method therein mentioned and for
 the more Effectual Collecting of Arrears.

General Assembly dissolved— After which his Excellency Dissolved the General As-
 sembly.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

GEORGIA

Journal of the upper House convened in general Assembly on Monday the 30th October 1769.

CHA^s WATSON C. G. A.

Rec^d Nov^r 1. 1770.

Great Seal taken off by S. B.

GEORGIA

Journal of the upper House convened in general Assembly on Monday the Thirtieth Day of October 1769. Being the first Session of the Seventh general Assembly in and for the Province of Georgia Appointed to meet at Savannah.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 30^o Octobris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 31^o Octobris 1769

His Excellency the Governour came to this House and sent a Message by the Master in Chancery, to the Members of the Commons House acquainting them that they had his Leave and Direction to proceed to the Choice of

Message fm.
the Govr. to
Coma. House
to choose a
Speaker—

a Speaker. A Message from the Commons House by M^r Milledge and M^r Bullock to his Excellency the Governour Acquainting him that they had chosen a Speaker and desire to know when his Excellency would please to be waited on by the House in Order to present their Speaker for his Approbation.

His Excellency answered that he was ready to receive them Immediately.

Speaker presented and approved—

Accordingly the House immediately waited on his Excellency and presented Noble Wimberly Jones Esq^r for their Speaker, which choice his Excellency greatly approved And then his Excellency made a Speech to both Houses And having left the House, M^r President took the Chair and reported that his Excellency the Governour had made a Speech to both Houses of which M^r President said, to prevent Mistakes, he had obtained a Copy, which was read to the House and is as follows, Viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly,

Governour's Speech to both Houses—

As we had not Time during the last Session of Assembly to prepare all the Bills that seemed necessary, I must now recommend for your Consideration the framing of a Bill to prevent Encroachments and Trespasses being committed on the Lands and Hunting Grounds of the Indians; for as it is some Time since our Boundary Line has been intirely finished and marked to the mutual Satisfaction of myself and the Indians, and as I then pledged my Word to them that I would take Care to prevent Encroachments and Trespasses beyond it, it is now become an Object with me to discharge that Promise, so necessary for the public Peace and Safety, and which requires the Aid of the Legislature.

And the present confused and disorderly State of the Trade carried on with the Indians cries aloud for our Interposition and most serious and best Attention; the very frequent and well founded Complaints I receive from the Indians, and the many Abuses which are daily committed by the Traders and others, in the Indian Country, and other Places and ports of the Province, are such, as possibly, will bring the Indians upon Us if not speedily redressed and prevented for the future: I know the Task is arduous, and the more so from the mode adopted by Authority for the granting of Licenses to trade; and that no remedy we may attempt will be altogether perfect and compleat, unless, in some Measure, concurred in, and aided by the Neighboring Provinces: but this is the Province that will suffer first, and most, if we should have a rupture with the Indians.

The Southern Provinces have King's Troops and few Plantations as yet of any great Value or Consequence ^(sic) to disturb or break up; and the northern Province is now very populous, and may make a sufficient Stand to defend themselves; but I fear, in Time of Peril, we should not be able to do a great deal against so formidable an Enemy.

And that our very flourishing Colony would meet with such an Interruption as it would not recover for a Considerable Time; and therefore let us not omit every means in our Power to prevent the unhappy Consequences which, it is pretty clear, the present State of the general Intercourse with the Indians must soon be productive of, if suffered to continue.

I am to Acquaint you Gentlemen, that since our last Meeting I have received his Majesty's Order in Council relative to the Negroe Law which I shall lay before you, and must recommend a thorough and careful revisal of

our late Law, the present Law, and the Patrol Laws; that such a General Bill may be framed, from the whole, as may be best adapted to Answer the several Purposes necessary with respect to our Negroes. The Night Patrol or Town guard Duty, as at present performed by the Inhabitants, seems to be upon a disagreeable and improper Footing; and as this Duty is absolutely necessary to be done, I must recommend it to your Consideration whether it may not be expedient to raise such a Sum of Money as may be sufficient to defray the Expence of keeping in Pay a constant Watch Company; and to frame a Law subjecting them to such Orders Regulations and Discipline as may be judged Proper for that Purpose, in the framing of all which necessary and salutary Bill ^(sic) I shall be ready to give my best Assistance.

I must recommend it to you to inquire what Laws will expire with the present Session, or are near expiring and that such of them as appear to be of Utility may be further continued and amended if any of them shall be found to require Amendment.

And having laid before you the several Matters which occurred to me as most materially necessary for your Consideration, before I conclude it is my Duty to observe to you that I am authorized to declare that, notwithstanding any Thing that may have been thrown out by factious People, who are Enemies to the Peace and Prosperity of both great Britain and the Colonies, yet it is not the Intention of his Majesty, or his present Ministers, to propose laying any further Taxes or Duties on America, but on the contrary to propose taking off several of those already laid. And I must also observe that the many Instances of Encouragement given to the Productions of the Colonies during the last Session of Parliament at a vast Expence to the Mother Country,

without any Solicitation on the part of America; (which several Acts I will send you) must clearly shew, and convince us beyond a Doubt, of, the beneficent Disposition of the Crown and Parliament towards the Colonies. And be assured that whatever real Grievances America may labour under will be duely Attended to and redressed; so that if we have any Feeling, if there be the least Spark of Gratitude, remaining, I should hope these Things would rekindle that truly filial Passion, which ought to glow in the Breast of every American for the Mother Country. 'Tis well known that the Interests of Great Britain and the Colonies are one and the same, I think I may be allowed to say are inseparable, and that they must stand and fall together; great Britain can never seriously mean to oppress or distress America; and in whatever Degree she might attempt to do so she would wound herself: and so on the other Hand the greatest Care and Caution should be had in the Steps taken by the Colonies that may be injurious to great Britain it's a dangerous Attempt, and the Weapon, or means used, may prove like a two edged Sword, and probably will be found to cut both ways. It is therefore much to be wished that, instead of resentful and injurious Measures, such only were pursued as might restore that Mutual Confidence and Affection, upon which the Glory and Safety of the whole british Empire depend; and which let me earnestly recommend to you to adopt and cherish.

Such other Things as I have to communicate to you I shall do by Messages.

Gentlemen of the Assembly

I shall direct the Treasurer forthwith to furnish you with a State of the Produce of last Year's Tax, and shall send you an Estimate for the usual and necessary Service of the current Year together with such Accounts

and Demands as may be delivered in to him; which I am persuaded you will chearfully provide for in such Way as you judge may be most convenient for your Constituents to comply with.

JA: WRIGHT Savannah in Georgia
Council Chamber 31st October 1769.

RESOLVED, Nemine dissentiente, That an Address of Thanks be drawn up and presented to his Excellency the Governour for his affectionate Speech to both Houses.

Committee
appointed to
draw up Ad-
dress of Thanks

ORDERED That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address of Thanks to his Excellency the Governour upon the said Resolution, And that M^r Elliott and M^r Bryan be the Committee.

ORDERED That his Excellency the Governour's Speech be referred to the said Committee.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 1^o Novembris 1769^o

Address
reported
amended and
agreed to—

M^r Elliott from the Committee, appointed to draw up an Address of Thanks to his Excellency the Governour for his Affectionate Speech to both Houses, reported that the Committee had prepared an Address accordingly, which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now received.

And M^r Elliott read the same in his Place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table where the Address was read and, with some Amendments agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Address be ingrossed.

ORDERED That M^r Bryan and M^r Graham do wait on his Excellency the Governour to know when he will please to receive this House with their Address.

M^r Bryan reported that his Excellency the Governour having been waited on, pursuant to Order, to know when he would receive this House with their Address, had been pleased to appoint one o'Clock this Afternoon.

The ingrossed Address to his Excellency the Governour being read.

ORDERED That M^r President do sign the same, and that the Address be entered in the Journals.

To his Excellency James Wright Esq^r Captain General and Governour in chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia.

The Humble Address of the Upper House of Assembly.

May it please your Excellency,

Address. We his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council of Georgia in general Assembly met beg leave to return your Excellency our sincere Thanks for your affectionate Speech to both Houses of Assembly.

As we are sensible that a Law to prevent Incroachments on the Lands and hunting Grounds of the Indians is absolutely necessary, and that a regulation of the

Trade carried on with them and a Provision for the Punishment of Offences, and Prevention of Abuses, committed in the Indian Nation by Traders and others, require also the immediate Interposition of the Legislature: your Excellency may rest assured that we shall very readily, and, in a Matter of such Moment to the Province, with peculiar Chearfulness, concur in the framing such an Act as may, as far as possible in Us, remedy those Evils, and for the future prevent the too well grounded, and repeated, Complaints of the Indians; at the same Time with humble Difference ^(sic) to Authority, we must lament that, by the general Mode of granting Licences to trade with those People; our Endeavours, in so interesting a Point, may in a Manner be rendered ineffectual, unless the neighboring Provinces in some Measure concur with, and aid, us by passing Acts for the like salutary purposes the framing a general Law for the Preservation of our internal Peace, by a proper Regulation for ordering and governing our Slaves, is also a Matter of the utmost Importance; and shall be particularly attended to, and concurred in, by Us; as shall any Act that may be thought necessary and expedient for establishing a Watch in the Town of Savannah: And we return your Excellency our most hearty Thanks for your Offers of Assistance in the several Matters recommended to us; your Obliging readiness ^(sic) on such Occasions we have often experienced and gratefully Acknowledge.

The Declaration which your Excellency is Authorized to make of the future Intentions of our most gracious Sovereign, and his present Ministers, with Respect to America, and the taking off several Duties already laid on by Parliament, yields us the highest Satisfaction; especially when we consider the Instances of, unsolicited, Encouragement given to the Productions of the Colo-

nies, as convincing Proofs of the most favourable Disposition of the Crown and Parliament towards them: And we are hopeful that an Attention to, and the redress of such real Grievances as America may labour under, on the one Hand, and a Pursuit of Prudent, dutiful, and cautious Measures, by the Colonies, on the other, will, under God, be the means of healing and composing those Differences which have unhappily and already too long subsisted, and for restoring that mutual Confidence and Affection, which every Man, who means well to his Country, must ardently wish for, and will ever be ready to promote and cherish.

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and Attended his Excellency the Governour to present their Address;

And being returned,

The House was resumed; And M^r President reported that the House had Attended his Excellency the Governour and presented their Address, which he received very kindly and was pleased to give the following Answer, Viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

Governour's
Answer to the
Address.

I return you my best Thanks for this Address, by which I have the greatest Satisfaction in finding you so truly sensible of the generous and favourable Disposition of the Crown and Parliament towards America—It has been my Happiness from my first Arrival here to have your Approbation of all Measures proposed by me.— And I doubt not but if prudent and dutiful Measures are pursued by the Colonies all Differences will come to a speedy and happy Termination.

JA: WRIGHT 1st Nov^r 1769

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 2° Novembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 3° Novembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 4° Novembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 6° Novembris 1769°

Bill to amend
Act for Relief
of Debtors pre-
sented read.
and read 1st
Time.

M^r Elliott presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act to amend an Act for the Relief of Debtors who may be confined in Goal and are unable to support themselves during such their Confinement: And the same was received and read the first Time, and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Wednesday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 7^o Novembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 8^o Novembris 1769^o

Bill to amend
Act for Relief
of Debtors read
a second Time—

The Bill intituled an Act to amend an Act for the Relief of Debtors who may be confined in Goal and are unable to support themselves during such their confinement was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill immediately.

Bill to amend
Act for Relief
of Debtors
Committd.

Accordingly the House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act to amend an Act for the Relief of Debtors who may be

confined in Goal and are unable to maintain themselves during such their Confinement.

After some Time,

Reported with-
out Amendmt. The House was resumed, And M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, And that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment; and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Ingrossed ORDERED That the said Bill be ingrossed.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

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Die Jovis 9^o Novembris 1769^o

Read a third
Time The ingrossed Bill Intituled an Act to amend an Act for the Relief of Debtors who may be Confined in Goal and are unable to support themselves during such their Confinement; was read a third Time.

Passed. Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass? It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
the Coms. Ho: ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill, and desire their Concurrence thereto.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 10^o Novembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 11^o Novembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 13^o Novembris 1769

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 14^o Novembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 15^o Novembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 16^o Novembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 17^o Novembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 18^o Novembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 20° Novembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 21° Novembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 22° Novembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 23° Novembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 24^o Novembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 25^o Novembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 27^o Novembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 28^o Novembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 29° Novembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 30° Novembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 1° Decembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 2° Decembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

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(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 4° Decembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 5° Decembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 6° Decembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 7° Decembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 8^o Decembris 1769^o

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: for order-
ing and govern-
ing Slaves &c.
read 1st Time—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Glen, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for ordering and governing Slaves within this Province, and for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Offences committed by such Slaves and other Persons therein mentioned, and to prevent the inveigling and carrying away Slaves from their Masters Owners or Employers: to which the ^(sic) desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House— And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Monday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 9^o Decembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 11^o Decembris 1769^o

Negro Bill read
a second Time.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for ordering and governing Slaves within this Province, and for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Offences committed by such Slaves and other Persons therein mentioned, and to prevent the inveigling and carrying away Slaves from their Masters Owners or Employers; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday the fifteenth Day of January next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 12^o Decembris 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 13° Decembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 14° Decembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 15° Decembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 16° Decembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 18° Decembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 19° Decembris 1769°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 20° Decembris 1769°

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick
Houstoun Bar^t that the Commons House have passed a
Bill intituled an Act to repeal after the first day of July
in the Year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred
and seventy one Part of an Act intituled "an Act for the
"encouraging the Cultivation of Hemp Flax and Wheat
"and for regulating the Inspection of Hemp Flax and
"Wheat flour" to which the ^(sic) desire the Concurrence
of this Honourable House, And the same was read the
first Time.

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: for repeal-
ing Part of Act
for encourag-
ing the Cultiv-
ation of Hemp
&c.

Read the first
Time

And on Motion being made that the said Bill be read
a second Time.

To be read 2d
Time the 20th
May next—

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a second Time on the Twentieth Day of May next.

M^r President informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governour signed by his Excellency, which he was directed to lay before this House, And he delivered the same in at the Table where the said Message was read and is as follows, Viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

A Message fm.
the Govr. ad-
journing the
House—

I do hereby adjourn the Upper House of Assembly until Monday the Eighth Day of January next then to meet for the Dispatch of Business: And it is Accordingly adjourned to the Eighth Day of January next.

Given under my Hand at Savannah this
20th Day of December 1769.

JA: WRIGHT

To the Hon^{ble} the President
and Members of the
upper House of Assembly }

ORDERED That all Orders and Resolutions be adjourned to that day.

And then the House adjourned until
Monday the Eighth Day of January
next Eleven o'Clock in the forenoon.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 8° Januarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 9° Januarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 10° Januarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 11° Januarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 12° Januarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 13^o Januarii 1770^o

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 15^o Januarii 1770^o

Negro Bill in
Committee—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for ordering and governing Slaves within this Province and for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Offences committed by such Slaves and other Persons therein mentioned, and to prevent the inveigling and carrying away Slaves from their Masters Owners or Employers.

After some Time

Amended

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the report be received to Morrow.

An Ordinance
fm. Coms. Ho.
reappointg. the
Agent for the
Province.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Croke. that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance for reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain; to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House—

Read the first Time and the same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

also ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a second Time.

Read a second Time And the same was accordingly read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Ordinance be committed.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 16^o Januarii 1770^o

Amendmts.
to Negro Bill
reported and
agreed to—

M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for ordering and governing Slaves within this Province, and for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Offences committed by such Slaves and other Persons therein mentioned; and to prevent the inveigling and carrying away Slaves from their Masters Owners or Employers: Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the said Bill be now read a third Time.

Negro Bill read
3d Time—

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

And passed
with Amend-
mts.

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

Sent to the
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

House in Com-
mittee on Ord-
inance reap-
pointing pro-
vincial Agent—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ordinance from the Commons House for reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain;

After some Time.

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Ordinance, and had directed him to report the same to the House without any Amendment: and he delivered the Ordinance in at the Table.

Read a third
Time

ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a third Time.

And the same was accordingly read a third Time.

Then the Question was put “Whether this Ordinance shall pass?”

Passed

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons

And sent to
Coms. House.

House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Ordinance and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 17^o Januarii 1770^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 18^o Januarii 1770^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 19^o Januarii 1770^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 20^o Januarii 1770^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow ^(sic) Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 22^o Januarii 1770^o

Bill fm. Coms.
House to regulate
Wharfage
&c. A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houston, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to regulate and ascertain the Rates of Wharfage, of Shipping and Merchandize; and also to ascertain the rates of Storeage in the several Ports of this Province, and for the better regulation of Wharfs and of Shipping in the said Ports; and for appointing the Duty of an Harbour Master for the Port of Savannah: to which Bill they decide the Concurrence of this Honourable House— And the same was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first
Time

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Wednesday next.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 23^o Januarii 1769^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 24^o Januarii 1769^o

Bill fm. Coms.
House for rais-
ing Watchmen
in Savannah—

Read the first
Time

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Simpson, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for raising a Number of Watchmen for preserving good Order in and about the Town of Savannah; to which they desire the Concurrence of this honourable House: And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

Wharfage Bill
read a second
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to regulate and ascertain the Rates of Wharfage of Shipping and Merchandize; and also to ascertain the Rates of Storeage in the several Ports of this Province; and for the better Regulation of Wharfs and of Shipping in the said Ports; and for appointing the Duty of an Harbour Master for the Port of Savannah; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Croke in the following Words, Viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly 24th Jan^r 1770

Honourable Gentlemen,

Message fm.
Coms. House
desiring Con-
ference on
Amendmts. to
Negro Bill—

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for ordering and governing Slaves within this Province and for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of such Slaves and other Persons therein mentioned and to prevent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their Masters Owners or Employers Have agreed to some and disagreed to others therefore this House desires that you will appoint a Committee to join a Committee of this House in Conference on the Subject Matter of the said Amendments which if you please to join therein you will appoint your Number Time and Place.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words, Viz^t,

Upper House of Assembly 24th January 1770

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
agreeing to
Conference on
Amendmts. to
Negro Bill—

The upper House agree to the Conference proposed by your House on the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for ordering and governing Slaves within this Province and for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Offences committed by such Slaves &^o And have appointed a Committee to join a Committee of your House thereon to meet in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber to Morrow Morning at ten o'Clock in the Forenoon.

And appointg.
the same.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 25^o Januarii 1770^o

Watch Bill read
a second Time--

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for raising a Number of Watchmen for preserving good Order in and about the Town of Savannah, was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Wednesday next the 31st Instant.

Conference
held on the
Amendmts.
to Negro Bill—

Then the House was adjourned during Pleasure and the Committee appointed to confer with a Committee of the Commons House on the Amendments made by this House to the ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for ordering and governing Slaves within this Province, and for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Offences committed by such Slaves and other Persons therein mentioned, and to prevent the inveigling and carrying away Slaves from their Masters Owners or Employers; went to the said Conference:

Which being ended,

The House was resumed.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 26° Januarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 27° Januarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 29° Januarii 1770°

House in Com-
mittee on
Wharfage
Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed ^(sic) from the Commons House intituled an Act to regulate and ascertain the Rates of Wharfage of Shipping and Merchandize; and also to ascertain the Rates of Storeage in the several Ports of this Province; and for the better Regulation of Wharfs and of Shipping in the said Ports; and for appointing the Duty of an Harbour Master for the Port of Savannah;

After some Time

Amended

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to

report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received on the 24th Day of February next.

And then the House adjourned 'till Wednesday next Eleven o'Clock Tuesday being a State Holliday.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 31^o Januarii 1770^o

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for raising a Number of Watchmen for preserving good Order in and about the Town of Savannah;

House in Committee on Watch Bill—

After some Time

The House was resumed, And M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

Amended.

ORDERED That the report be received on Monday next the 5th February.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 1^o Februarii 1770^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 2^o Februarii 1770^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 3^o Februarii 1770^o

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 5^o Februarii 1770^o

M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for raising a Number of Watchmen for preserving good Order in

and about the Town of Savannah; Which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

**Watch Bill read
3d Time** ORDERED That the said Bill be now read a third Time.

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

**Passed with
Amendments.** Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

**And sent to
Coms. House.** ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

**Leave of
Absence to
Grey Elliott
Esqr.** ORDERED That Grey Elliott Esqr^r a Member of this House have Leave of Absence for three Months.

**Clerk ordd. to
write to absent
Members to
attend—** ORDERED That the Clerk do write to Jonathan Bryan, James Mackay and Clement Martin Esqr^{rs} desiring their immediate Attendance on the Business of this House.

**Thanks of the
House given
the Revd. Mr.
Whitefield
for his Sermon** This House having at the Invitation of the Rev^d M^r George Whitefield, attended divine Service at the Orphan House Academy on the twenty Eighth Day of January last and heard a Sermon preached by him from Zachariah 4th Chap^r 8th 9th & part of 10th Verses.

RESOLVED That the Thanks of this House be given to the said M^r Whitefield for his said Sermon; And that the Clerk do acquaint him therewith by Letter.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 6° Februarii 1770°

'The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 7° Februarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 8° Februarii 1770°

A Message was brought from the Commons House by
M^r Græme in the following Words, Viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly Thursday 8th Feb^r 1770

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms House
disagreeing
to some of
Amendmts.
to Negro Bill—

This House having taken under Consideration the
Report of the Committee of Conference on the Amend-
ments made by your House to the Ingrossed Bill for
ordering and governing Slaves within this Province:
and for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of such
Slaves and other Persons therein mentioned; and to pre-
vent the inveigling or carrying away Slaves from their
Masters Owners or Employers: Have come to a Resolu-

tion to disagree to the Amendments made by your House to the said Bill Marked Letter C. and the additional Clause for suspending the Execution of the said Act until his Majesty's royal Allowance thereof should be signified.

Also a Message was brought by the said M^r Græme in the following Words, Viz^t,

Commons House of Assembly Thursday 8th Feb^r 1770.

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fr.
Coms. Ho. de-
siring Confer-
ence on Amend-
mts. to Watch
Bill—

The House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the ingrossed Bill for raising a Number of Watchmen for preserving good Order in and about the Town of Savannah have agreed to some of the said Amendments and disagreed to others, Therefore this House desires you will appoint a Committee to join a Committee of this House in Conference on the Subject Matter of the said Amendments.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words, Viz^t,

Upper House of Assembly 8th Feb^r 1770.

M^r Speaker

Message agree-
ing to said
Conference—

This House do agree to the Conference you desire on the Amendments made to the Ingrossed Bill for raising a Number of Watchmen for preserving good Order in and about the Town of Savannah, And have appointed a Committee accordingly to meet in the room adjoining the Council Chamber Immediately.

The House adjourned during pleasure and the Committee went to the said Conference.

Which being ended

Conference
held.

The House was resumed, And M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had attended the Conference on the ingrossed Bill for raising a Number of Watchmen for preserving good Order in and about the Town of Savannah, And that he was directed to report what was done thereon when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received on Monday next.

Memorial of
John Joachim
Zubly Clerk

A Memorial of John Joachim Zubly Clerk was presented to the House and read setting forth that the Want of a short and safe Communication with the Province of South Carolina had long been looked upon as a very great Inconvenience—That a place belonging to the Memorialist appeared most likely to answer that very necessary Purpose—That the Memorialist at his own Expence had opened a Passage and Built a Bridge over a large Creek, and established a Boat and every thing necessary; and that, before the rising of the Freshes, the Place (to which he had given the Name of Middlesex Island) had become to be considerably resorted to, and it was imagined would soon become a general Thoroughfare—That the Memorialist apprehended the same might be made passable at all Times at a very moderate Expence; whereby not only the Length of the Passage would be intirely reduced, but a great Saving be made in the Rate of Ferriage to all Passengers—That the Memorialist being exceedingly desirous to fall on any Measures whereby what he had begun might become of general Use to the Public, Submitted how far such an Undertaking might be deserving of Public Assistance.

Ordered to be
sent to the
Commons
House

ORDERED That the said Memorial be sent to the Commons House of Assembly.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 9° Februarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 10° Februarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 12° Februarii 1770°

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the
Master in Chancery in the following Words, Viz^t,

Upper House of Assembly 12th Feb^r 1770.

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
desiring a free
Conference on
Amendmts.
to Negro Bill

Your House, on Report of your Committee, having
disagreed to some of the Amendments made by this
House to the Bill intituled an Act for ordering and gov-
erning Slaves within this Province &c &c as notified to
this House by your Message of Thursday last, This
House desires your House will join them in a free Con-
ference on the Subject Matter of the said Amendments

to Morrow Morning at Eleven o'Clock in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber.

Report of Conference on the Amendments to Watch Bill. M^r Elliott from a Committee of this House appointed to join a Committee of the Commons House on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for raising a Number of Watchmen for preserving good Order in and about the Town of Savannah; Reported that the Committee had attended the said Conference and were acquainted by the Committee from the Commons House that the Commons House disagree to the Amendments made by this House to the said Bill; and delivered their Reasons why the Commons House disagree thereto: Which M^r Elliott also reported to the House.

That the Coms. Ho: disagree to the said Amendments.

Then the said Amendments so disagreed to were ordered to be read, And the same being read accordingly, the Question was put "Whether this House shall adhere to the said Amendments."

Resolved that this House adheres to the sd. Amendments.

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Crooke in the following Words, 'Viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 8th Feb^r 1770.

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm. Coms. House that Committee was appointed to inspect the Journals of this Ho:

This House have appointed a Committee to inspect the Journals of your House respecting the ingrossed Bill from this House to repeal after the first day of July in the Year of our Lord 1771, Part of an Act intituled an Act for the Cultivation of Hemp, Flax and Wheat and for regulating the Inspection of Hemp, Flax and Wheat flour.

Also a Message was brought by the said M^r Crooke in the following Words, Viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 12th Feb^r 1770.

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. Ho:
agreeing to a
free Confer-
ence on Amend-
mts. to Negro
Bill.

This House, in Answer to the Message from your House desiring a free Conference on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by your House to the Bill intituled an Act for ordering and governing Slaves &c Have resolved to join in the said free Conference to Morrow Morning at Eleven o'Clock.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 13^o Februarii 1770^o

Free Confer-
ence held on
Amendmts.
to Negro Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and, Managers having been appointed, met the Commons House in a free Conference on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for ordering and governing Slaves within this Province and for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Offences committed by such Slaves and other Persons therein mentioned; and to prevent the inveigling and carrying away Slaves from their Masters Owners or Employers.

Which Conference being ended,

The House was resumed.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 14° Februarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 15° Februarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 16° Februarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 17° Februarii 1770°

The House adjourned 'till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 19° Februarii 1770°

Ordinance fm.
Coms. House
appointg.
Inspectors of
Hemp Flax
&c.—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Crooke;
that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance ap-
pointing Inspectors of Hemp Flax and Wheat Flour for
the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury.

Also Bill oblig-
ing Persons to
carry fire Arms
to places of
public Wor-
ship—

Also have passed a Bill intituled an Act for the better
Security of the Inhabitants by obliging the Male white
Persons to carry fire Arms to Places of public Worship.

Also Bill to
Amend the
Election Act.

And also have passed a Bill intituled an Act to amend
an Act intituled an Act to ascertain the Manner and
Form of electing Members to represent the Inhabitants
of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly—

To which said Ordinance and Bills they desire the
Concurrence of this Honourable House.

Ordinance for
appointing
Inspectors of
Flax &c. read
the first Time—

The Ordinance from the Commons House appointing
Inspectors of Hemp Flax and Wheat Flour for the
Ports of Savannah and Sunbury; was read the first
Time, and ordered to be read a second Time.

and also

ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a second
Time.

Read a second
Time—

And the said Ordinance was accordingly read a second
Time

And it being proposed that the Ordinance be com-
mitted.

ORDERED That it be committed to a Committee of the
whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance to Morrow.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the better Security of the Inhabitants by obliging the Male white persons to carry Fire Arms to places of public Worship, was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act intituled an Act to ascertain the Manner and form of electing Members to represent the Inhabitation^(sic) of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly; was read the first Time, and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 20^o Februarii 1770^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the better security of the Inhabitants by obliging the male white Persons to carry Fire Arms to places of Public Worship; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

Bill to oblige
Persons to
carry fire Arms
read 1st Time—

Bill to amend
the Election
Law read 1st
Time—

Bill to oblige
Persons to carry
Fire Arms
read a second
Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Friday next.

Bill to amend
Election Law
read a second
Time—

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act intituled an Act to ascertain the Manner and Form of electing Members to represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly; was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Wednesday the 11th of April next.

House in Com-
mittee on Ord-
inance appoint-
ing Inspectors
of Hemp &c.

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ordinance from the Commons House appointing Inspectors of Hemp Flax and Wheat Flour for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury,

After some Time,

Amended

The House was resumed, and M^r Read reported that the Committee had gone through the Ordinance and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 21^o Februarii 1770^o

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words Viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 21st Feb^r 1770.

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. Ho: that
Committee was
appointed to
inspect their
Journals
touchg. an Ad-
dress presented
his Excellcy.

This House has appointed a Committee to inspect the Journals of your House respecting an Address presented by your House on the 26th November last to his Excellency the Governour for Writs of Election to issue for Members to serve in general Assembly for the four new Parishes; together with his Excellency's Answer to the said Address.

Amendmts.
to Ordinance
appointg. In-
spectors of
Hemp &c. re-
ported and
agreed to—

M^r Read from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the Ordinance from the Commons House appointing Inspectors of Hemp Flax and Wheat Flour for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury; which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Bill will be read a third Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 22° Februarii 1770°

Bill fm. Coms.
House to amend
the Jury Act—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Box;
that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an
Act to amend an Act intituled an Act for ascertaining
the Qualifications of Jurors and for establishing the
Method of Balloting and Summoning Jurors in the
Province of Georgia; to which they desire the Concur-
rence of this honourable House: And the said Bill was
read the first Time and ordered to be read a second
Time.

Read the first
Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to
Morrow.

Ordinance ap-
pointg. Inspect-
ors of Hemp
&c. read a third
Time—

The Ordinance from the Commons House appointing
Inspectors of Hemp Flax and Wheat Flour for the Ports
of Savannah and Sunbury; was read a third Time.

Passed wth.
Amendments.

Then the Question was put “Whether this Ordinance
with the Amendments shall pass?”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to the
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons
House by the Master in Chancery to return the said
Ordinance and desire their Concurrence in the Amend-
ments made by this House thereto.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 23^o Februarii 1770^o

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
for carrying
Fire Arms

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the better securing the Inhabitants by obliging the Male White Persons to carry Fire Arms to places of Publick Worship

After some time

Amended.

The House was resumed, and M^r Read reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same

Amendments
reported and
agreed to—

ORDERED That the Report be now Received Accordingly M^r Read from the said Committee reported the Amendments made to the said Bill, which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third time to Morrow.

Bill to amend
Jury Act read
a second Time—

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to Amend an Act intituled an Act for ascertaining the qualifications ^(sic) of Jurors and for establishing the method of ballotting and Summoning Jurors in the Province of Georgia, was read a Second time

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be Committed to a Committee of the whole House

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: to amend
Act for regu-
lating the Town
of Savannah.
&c.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Bulloch, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act, for further amending an Act intituled an Act for the better regulating the Town of Savannah, and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House And the said Bill was read the first time and ordered to be read a Second time.

Read the first
Time

ORDERED That a Bill be read a second time to Morrow.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Græme in the following Words Viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 23^d February 1770.

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message fm.
Coms. House
desiring Con-
ference on the
Amendmts.
to Ordinance
for appointg.
Inspectors &c.

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Ordinance for appointing Inspectors of Hemp, Flax and Wheat Flour for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury, have disagreed thereto, therefore the House desires you will appoint a Committee of your House to Join a Committee of this in Conference on the Subject Matter of the said Amendments.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following words, Viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 23^d February 1770.

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
agreeing to
Conference—

This House do agree to the Conference desired on the Amendments made by this House to the Ordinance for appointing Inspectors of Hemp, Flax and Wheat Flour for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury and have

appointed the same to be held in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber Immediately.

Committee James Read, John Graham, Lewis Johnson Esquires.

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: to prohibit
Exportation
of Corn—

Read first Time

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Stephens, that the Commons House, have passed a Bill intituled an Act to prohibit for a certain Time the Exportation of Indian Corn to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House, and the said Bill was read the first time and ordered to be read a second Time.

also

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a second Time.

Read a second
Time.

And the said Bill was accordingly read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be Committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 24^o Februarii 1770^o

Bill obliging
Persons to
carry fire Arms
&c. read a third
Time—

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for the better securing the Inhabitants by obliging the Male White Persons to Carry Fire Arms to places of Publick Worship, was read a third time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass.

Passed It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to Coms. House. ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

House in Committee on Bill to amend Jury Law— The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act, to amend an Act, intituled, an Act to ascertain the Qualifications of Jurors and for establishing the Method of Ballotting and Summoning Jurors in the Province of Georgia

After some Time

Reported with. out Amendmt. The House was resumed, And M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, And he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time.

Read a third Time And the same was accordingly read a third Time

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass"

Passed It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to Coms. House. ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled

Bill to amend
Act for ascer-
taining the Town
of Savh. &c.
read a second
Time—

an Act for further amending an Act, intituled, an Act for the better regulating the Town of Savannah, and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the Whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Monday next.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to prohibit
Exportat. of
Corn—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to prohibit for a certain Time the Exportation of Indian Corn.

After some time

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time.

Read a third
Time

And the said Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass"

Passed

It was resolved in the affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Amendmts.
to Wharfage
Bill reported
and agreed to—

M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House reported the amendments made to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House, intituled, an Act to regulate and ascertain the Rates of Wharfage of Shipping and Merchandize and also to ascertain the Rates of Storeage in the several Ports of this Province and for the better Regulation of Wharfs and of Shipping in the said Ports and for appointing the Duty of an Harbour Master for the Port of Savannah Which amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on the first Day of March next.

And then the House adjourned till
Monday Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Diē Lunæ 26^o Februarii 1770^h

Ordinance fm.
Coms. Ho: ap-
pointg. Collec-
tor and Comp-
troller of Coun-
trety Duties for
Port of Sun-
bury.

Read the first
Time

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Deveaux, that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance appointing James Kitchen to be Collector and Comptroller of the Country Duties at the Port of Sunbury, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House, and the same was read the first Time, and ordered to be read a second Time.

also

ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a second Time.

Read a second
Time

And the said Ordinance was accordingly read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Ordinance be Committed

ORDERED That the same be comitted ^(sic) to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be immediately put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance.

House in Com-
mittee on said
Ordinance

Accordingly the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ordinance from the Commons House for appointing James Kitchen to be Collector and Comptroller of the Country Duties at the Port of Sunbury.

After some Time

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, And M^r Read reported that the Committee had gone through the Ordinance, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendments, and he delivered the Ordinance in at the Table.

ORDERED That the said Ordinance be now read a third Time.

Read a third
Time

And the said Ordinance was accordingly read a third Time

And then the Question was put "Whether this Ordinance shall pass.

Passed

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. Ho :

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Ordinance and acquaint them that this House hath agreed thereto without any Amendment.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to amend Act
for regulatg.
the Town of
Savh.

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for further Amending an Act intituled an Act for the better regulating the Town of Savannah, and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging.

After some Time

Reported with -
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time on the third day of May next.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 27^o Februarii 1770^o

His Excellency
the Govr. as-
sents to follow-
ing Bills vizt.

His Excellency the Governor came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery acquainting them that if the House had any Bill to present for the Assent that his Excellency was then ready to receive them.

Accordingly M^r Speaker with the Commons House attended and presented the Bills and Ordinances to his Excellency who was pleased to give his Assent to them severally, Viz^t

Act to prevent
Exportation of
Indian Corn—

An Act to prohibit for a certain Time the Exportation of Indian Corn

Act to oblige
male white Per-
sons to carry
fire Arms to
Places of public
Worship—

An Act for the better securing the Inhabitants by obliging the Male White Persons to carry Fire Arms to places of Publick Worship.

Act to amend
Act to ascertain
Qualifications of Jurors
&c.—

An Act to amend an Act, intituled an Act to ascertain the Qualifications of Jurors and for establishing the Method of ballotting and Summoning Jurors in the Province of Georgia

Ordinance re-
appointg. pro-
vincial Agent—

An Ordinance for reappointing Benjamin Franklin, Esquire, Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain.

Ordinance
appointing
Packers and In-
spectors &c.—

An Ordinance for appointing Inspectors of Hemp Flax and Wheat Flour for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury

Ordinance ap-
pointing Col-
lectors & Com-
ptroller of Coun-
treys Duties for
Sunbury—

An Ordinance for appointing James Kitchen to be Collector and Comptroller of the Country Duties at the Port of Sunbury.

And then his Excellency left the House

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 28^o Februarii 1770^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 1^o Martii 1770^o

Wharfage Bill
read a third
Time amended.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to regulate and ascertain the Rates of Wharfage of Shipping and Merchandize and also to ascertain the rates of Storeage in the several Ports of this Province, and for the better regulation of Wharfs and Shipping in the said Ports, and for appointing the Duty of an Harbour Master for the Port of Savannah was read a third time, and some Amendments were made thereto by the House.

and

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass

Passed

It was resolved in the Affirmative

Ordered to be
sent to Com-
mons House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto

Petition of the
Freeholders of
Vernonburgh—

A Petition from the Subscribers, Freeholders of Vernonburgh was presented to the House and read setting forth that about the Year 1737 the Petitioners, at Cowes in England, indented themselves, personally, or with their Parents, to the Honourable the Trustees of the Colony of Georgia to serve them five Years in the said Colony, at the Expiration of which, every Family was to obtain of the said Trustees fifty Acres of Land to them and their Heirs for ever

That accordingly they were brought over into this Province at the Expence of the Trustees, and did serve the said Trustees during the full Term of five Years at the Expiration of which the Township of Vernonburgh

(not by their Choice but by express Order of the Trust) was laid out, and fifty Acres of Land with a Lot in the said Town given unto them, as they had been promised That the Petitioners that still survive, and the Petitioners, the Descendants of the first Comers, or holding under them, have cleared, improved, planted, and built upon, the said Lands unmolested, and the Lands unclaimed (that they were ever legally informed of) by any other Person, and have done all the Duties and born all the Burthens of Freeholders ever since the Year 1743

The Petitioners were informed that the Land so ordered them as a reward for five Years Servitude by them settled, upon the Public Faith of the then Government, and for which they have obtained his Majesty's Grants were claimed by some Person never Resident in this Province, whereby the Petitioners were in Danger of loosing the very small reward of five Years labour, and, in their old Age, to be deprived of their Habitations and Improvements without the least Fault on their Part, no prior Grant appearing, of Record, in any Publick Office, in manifest prejudice of their Contract with the then Government of this Province, and their almost total Ruin, Therefore praying that their very distressed Case might be taken into Consideration, and such Relief granted them in the Premises as in Wisdom should seem meet

ORDERED That the Petition do lay upon the Table to be perused by the Members of this House

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 2° Martii 1770°

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 3° Martii 1770°

The house was adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 5° Martii 1770°

Ordinance fm.
Coms. Ho:
appointing
Harbour Mas-
ter

Read the first
Time

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Crooke,
that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance ap-
pointing Andrew Elton Wells, Harbour Master for the
Port of Savannah, to which they desire the Concurrence
of this Honourable House, and the said Ordinance was
read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second
Time.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be read a Second Time
on Friday next.

A Message was also brought from the Commons
House by the said M^r Crooke in the following Words
Viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 1st March 1770

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

Message from
Coms. House
desiring Con-
ference on the
Amendmts. to
Wharfage Bill.

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the ingrossed Bill intituled an Act to reglate ^(sic) and ascertain the Rates of Wharfage of Shipping and Merchandize &c, &c, have agreed to some of the said Amendments and disagreed to others, Therefore this House desires that your House will appoint a Committee to Join a Committee of this House in Conference upon the subject Matter of the said Amendments.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 6^o Martii 1770^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 7^o Martii 1770^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 8° Martii 1770°

Ordinance fm.
Coms. Ho: ap-
pointing Pack-
ers and In-
spectors and
also Cullers &c.

Read the first
Time

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Stevens that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance for appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury and also Cullers and Inspectors of Lumber in the said Ports, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House— And the said Ordinance was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be read a Second Time on the 16th Instant.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words Viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 8th March 1770

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
agreeing to
Conference on
Amendmts. to
Wharfage Bill

And appointing
the Time

This House agrees to the Conference you desire on the Amendments made to the Bill intituled an Act to regulate and ascertain the Rates of Wharfage of Shipping and Merchandise &c. &c. and have appointed a Committee accordingly to meet in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 9^o Martii 1770^o

The Ordinance from the Commons House appointing Andrew Elton Wells, Harbour Master for the Port of Savannah, was read a Second Time And it being proposed that the Ordinance be Committed

Ordinance
appointing
Harbour Mar.
read 2d Time

ORDERED That the Ordinance be committed to a Committee of the whole House

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance on the 16th Instant.

Then the House was adjourned during Pleasure and the Committee went to the Conference appointed to be held on the Amendments made by this House to the ingrossed Bill intituled an Act to regulate and ascertain the Rates of Wharfage of Shipping and Merchandize &c, &c.

The Committee
goes to the
Conference on
Amendmts. to
Wharfage Bill.

Which being ended

The House was resumed.

House
resumed.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Crooke in the following Words, Viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 9th March 1770

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

This House having taken under Consideration the Report of their Committee of Conference with a Committee of your House on the Amendments made, by your House to the ingrossed Bill to regulate and ascertain the Rates of Wharfage of Shipping and Merchandize

Message from
Coms. House
agreeing to
Amendmts.
made to Wharf-
age Bill at the
Conference—

&c, &c, Do agree with their Committee in the Amendments made to the said Bill at the said Conference.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 10^o Martii 1770^o

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 12^o Martij 1770^o

Two following written Messages were sent to the
Commons House by the Master in Chancery, viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 12th March 1770

Message to
Coms. Ho: de-
sirg. that free
Conference on
Negro Bill may
be resumed—

M^r Speaker

This House having on the 13th February last joined
your House in a free Conference on the subject Matter
of the Amendments made by this House to the ingrossed
Bill intituled an Act for ordering and governing Slaves
within this Province and for establishing a Jurisdiction
for the Trial of Offences committed by such Slaves, &c,
which Conference at your request is yet kept open, This
House therefore desires that the Conference may be re-
sumed.

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
to be acquaint-
ed wth. the
Report of their
Committee of
Conference on
the Amendmts.
to the Wharf-
age Bill—

A Committee of this House having joined a Committee of your House on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for raising a Number of Watchmen for preserving good Order in and about the Town of Savannah, This House desires that they may by Message be acquainted with the ^(sic) of your Committee thereon.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following words, viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 12th March 1770

M^r Speaker

Message to the
Coms. House
agreeing to the
Amendmts. to
Wharfage Bill
fixed at the
Conference—

On report of the Committee of this House who joined a Committee of your House in Conference on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the ingrossed Bill intituled an Act to regulate and ascertain the Rates of Wharfage, of Shipping, and Merchandize &c, This House doth agree to the amendments made to the said Bill at the said Conference.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 13^o Martii 1770^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 14^o Martii 1770^o

Bill fm. Coms. Ho: to alien and convey part of Common of the Town for a Cemetery

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houstoun, that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to enable the Commissioners appointed by an Act of the General Assembly of this Province intituled "An Act for regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging" to alien, and Convey to certain Persons and their Successors, In Trust, Part of the said Common for the Purpose of inclosing a Coemetry, or burial Ground, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House, And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Friday next.

Bill fm. Coms. House to continue several Laws—

Also a Message by the said Sir Patrick Houstoun that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to Continue the several Laws therein mentioned, to which they desire the Concurrence of this House, And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time.

Read the first Time

and also

ORDERED That the same be now read a second Time.

Read a second Time

And the Bill was accordingly read a Second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and resumed the free Conference with the Commons House on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Ingrossed Bill, intituled, an Act for ordering and governing Slaves within this Province, and for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Offences committed by such Slaves and other Persons therein mentioned, and to prevent the inveighling and Carrying away Slaves from their Masters, Owners, and Employers

The free Conference on Negro Bill resumed—

Which Conference being fully ended— The House was resumed.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 15^o Martii 1770^o

M^r Elliott from the Managers at the free Conference with the Commons House on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the ingrossed Bill intituled an Act for ordering and governing Slaves within this Province, and for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Offences committed by such Slaves and other Persons therein mentioned, and to prevent the inveighling and carrying away Slaves from their Masters, Owners, and Employers, Reported that the House had resumed the free Conference with the Commons House, (entered into on the thirteenth day of February last) and had agreed upon divers Amendments to be made in the said Bill, which Amendments he read in his place,

The Amendments agreed on at the Conference to the Negro Bill reported.

And agreed to. and then delivered in at the Table where the same being again read were agreed to by the House

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following Words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 15th March 1770

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
agreeing to
Amendmts. to
Negro Bill
made at the
free Confer-
ence

Upon Report from the managers at the free Conference of both Houses on the Amendments made by this House to the ingrossed Bill, intituled an Act for ordering and governing Slaves within this Province and for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of Offences committed by such Slaves &c. &c. This House doth agree to the Amendments agreed upon at the said free Conference.

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
for continuing
several Laws
therein men-
tioned.

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to Continue the several Laws therein mentioned.

After some Time

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Johnson Reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the Same to the House without any Amendments, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill intituled an Act to Continue the several Laws therein mentioned be now read a third Time.

Read a third
Time

And the said Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

Then the Question was put Whether this Bill shall pass

Passed

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 16^o Martii 1770^o

Ordinance
appointing
Packers and
Inspectors &c.
read a second
Time.

The Ordinance from the Commons House appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury and also Cullers and Inspectors of Lumber in the said Ports, was read a second Time

And it being proposed that the Ordinance be committed.

ORDERED That the Ordinance be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be now put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance.

House in Com-
mittee upon the
said Ordinance.

Accordingly the House was immediately adjourned during Pleasure and put into Committee upon the said Ordinance

After some Time

Amended

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Ordinance and made one Amendment thereto which he was directed to Report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now received

Amendmt. reported and agreed to—

And M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the said Ordinance, Which Amendment being read a second Time was agreed to by the House.

Ordinance read 3d Time

ORDERED That the Ordinance from the Commons House appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury, and also Cullers and Inspectors of Lumber in the said Ports, be now read a third Time.

And the said Ordinance was accordingly read a third Time

Passed with an Amendmt.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Ordinance with the Amendment shall pass?"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to the Coms. House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Ordinance and desire their Concurrence in the Amendment made by this House thereto.

Bill to alien Part of Common for a Cemetery read 2d Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to enable the Commissioners appointed by an Act of the General Assembly of this Province intituled an Act for regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging to Alien and Convey to certain Persons and their Successors, In Trust,

Part of the said Common for the purpose of inclosing a Cœmetry or burial Ground, was read a Second Time.

And on a Motion made It was resolved that the said Bill be referred to M^r Attorney general, for his Opinion how far the Incorporation intended by that Bill may be proper.

Bill referred to Attorney genl. as to the Incorporation Clause therein—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ordinance from the Commons House appointing Andrew Elton Wells, Harbour Master for the Port of Savannah.

House in Committee on Bill for appointing Harbour Master in Savannah

After some Time

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Ordinance and made an Amendment thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

Amended

ORDERED That the Report be now received.

Accordingly M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendment to the said Ordinance, which Amendment being read a second Time was agreed to by the House.

Amendment reported and agreed to—

ORDERED That the Ordinance from the Commons House appointing Andrew Elton Wells, Harbour Master for the Port of Savannah be now read a third Time.

Ordinance read a third Time—

And the said Ordinance was accordingly read a third Time.

Then the Question was put “Whether this Ordinance with the Amendment shall pass.”

Passed with, an Amendment.

It was resolved in the Affirmative

And sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Ordinance and desire their Concurrence in the Amendment made by this House thereto.

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 17^o Martii 1770^o

And then the House adourned till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 19^o Martii 1770^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 20^o Martii 1770^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 21^o Martii 1770^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 22^o Martii 1770^o

The Master in Chancery reporting that he had two several Days attended the Commons House of Assembly in Order to return two Ordinances, that had been sent up by them and had been agreed to, in this House, and was both Days informed, by a Member of the Commons House, that the said Message would not be received

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following words, viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 22^d March 1770

M^r Speaker

This House having been informed that the Master in Chancery had attended your House, Yesterday and this day, with a Message from this House, in Order to return two Ordinances, and was both Days acquainted by a Member of your House that the said Message would not be received This House therefore desires to know whether your House gave Authority to any of your Members to give such Answer

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

Report of Mar.
in Chancery
touchg. Coms.
Ho: refusing
to receive a
Message fm.
ys. Ho:

Message to
Coms. House
thereon—

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 23^o Martii 1770^o

Further Report
of the Master
in Chancery—

The Master in Chancery having reported that the Commons House had received the Message, by him from this House, to return two Ordinances mentioned in the Journal of Yesterday.

The Message of
Yesterday
ordd. not to be
delivered—

It is Ordered That the Message of Yesterday ordered to be sent them, on that Head, be not delivered

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 24^o Martii 1770^o

The House adjourned till Monday
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 26^o Martii 1770^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 27^o Martii 1770^o

Bill to prevent malignant and contagious Distempers presented to the House

Reced and read first Time

M^r Read presented to the House a Bill intituled an Act to prevent the bringing in and spreading of malignant and Contagious Distempers in this Province And the said Bill was received and read the first time and ordered to be read a Second Time—

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time to Morrow

Petition of Jno. Joachim Zubly Clerk touching a Bill depending for a Cemetery—

A Petition from John Joachim Zubly, Clerk was presented to the House, and read setting forth that a Petition to annex a burying Ground to a Lot granted by his late Majesty for the use of his Subjects as profess the Westminster Confession of Faith (and amongst whom the Petitioner officiated as Minister) had been presented to the Commons House of Assembly and a Bill passed for the Purpose. That the Petitioner conceived that as every Freeholder had a legal and undeniable Property in the Common of Savannah where the said burying Ground was actually laid out So Protestant Dissenters were also intitled by that Liberty of Conscience secured to this Province in the Charter under which it was first settled, grounded as they humbly apprehended, on the indefeazible Right of all Mankind, unmolested to bury their Dead, after the manner of their Religious Profession— The Petitioner being informed that some Difficulties upon the said Bill had arisen in the Upper House In behalf of himself and his Congregation prayed that he might be heard on the Premises in Person or by Council.

Desiring to be heard thereon—

ORDERED That the Petition do lye upon the Table to be perused by the Members of this House

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 28° Martii 1770°

Malignant Dis-
temper Bill
read a second
Time—

The Bill intitled an Act to prevent the bringing in and Spreading of malignant and Contagious Distempers in this Province, was read a Second Time.

And it being proposed that the said Bill be committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Friday next

Bill fm. Coms.
House for a
Duty on Ne-
groes and Mer-
chandize—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Box that the Commons House have passed a Bill, intitled, an Act for granting to his Majesty and imposing a Duty on Negroes and Merchandize imported into this Province, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House. And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time—

Read the first
Time

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Second Time on Friday next.

Bill for aliening
Part of Com-
mon for Use of
a Cemetery
being proposed
to be commit-
ted—

It being proposed that the House be adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intitled an Act to enable the Commissioners appointed by an Act of the General Assembly of this Province intitled, “an Act for regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging” to, alien and Convey to certain Persons and their Successors, In Trust, part of the said Common for the Purpose of inclosing a Cœmetry or Burial Ground

Commitmt.
postponed 'till
Mr Zubly be
heard on his
Petition—

It is Ordered That the Commitmt of the said Bill be postponed untill John Joachim Zubly, Clerk be heard on his Petition presented to this House on Tuesday last agreeable to the Prayer thereof

Notice to Mr.
Zubly to attend
on Friday
next—

ORDERED That the said M^r Zubly have Notice to attend this House for that purpose on Friday next

Memorial of
Samuel Frink
Rector of
Christ Church
touchg. the Bill
for inclosing a
Cemetery

A Memorial of Samuel Frink, Clerk, Rector of Christ Church Parish in the said Province addressed to his Excellency the Governour and the Members of his Majesty's honourable Council, was laid before the House and read Setting forth (inter alia) That the Memorialist begged Leave to remonstrate that the Commons House of Assembly had lately passed a Bill for granting part of the Common of the Town of Savannah for the use of a Coemetry, for the Dissenters of the said Town, upon which extraordinary Indulgence of that honourable House the Memorialist could not but observe that a Precedent of that Nature would be attended with manifest Inconveniences as every different Sect and Denomination of Christians as well as those who totally differ from the Church of Christ in Dicipline and Principle, might think themselves intituled to the same Indulgence which he apprehended, with great Deference, would be contrary to Law, and the established Usage in such Cases The Memorialist, on the Occasion, whatever Sentiments of Charity he might entertain for the Dissenters from the Church of England, as a Member and Minister of that Church could not answer it to his Superiors and Employers at Home, to his Excellency as Ordinary, and to his own Conscience, should he suffer such an Attack upon the Priviledges of the established Church to be made unnoticed by him.— The Surplice Fees in this Province were so trifling as to be scarce worth Notice, yet small as they were, if the Memorialist had a Right to, he certainly ought not to be deprived of them, which, should the Bill

in Question be passed the upper House and assented to by his Excellency he apprehended would be the Case with Respect to the Funerals of Dissenters, Therefore praying that, seriously weighing the Importance of the Bill and how far the Memorialist, as Rector of the Parish of Christ Church, or rather the Church of England as established by Law, might be effected by the Consequences his Excellency and their Honours would do therein as should seem equitable and right, And that, should be thought expedient to pass the said Bill, the Rights of the Church and the Memorialist might be properly preserved therein.

Mr. Frink ordered to be heard on his Memorial on Friday next—

ORDERED That M^r Samuel Frink be heard on his said Memorial on Friday next

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 29^o Martii 1770^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Venèris 30^o Martii 1770^o

Mr. Zubly & Mr. Frink both attending were severally heard—

The Reverend John Joachim Zubly, Clerk being introduced was heard in Support of his Petition presented to this House respecting a Bill already passed the Commons House, and now before this House for aliening

part of the Common to inclose a Cœmetry or burial Ground for those in this Province professing the Westminster Confession of Faith— After which he was directed to withdraw

And the Reverend Samuel Frink, Rector of the Parish of Christ Church, being introduced was heard on the Subject matter of his Memorial relative to the said Cœmetry— After which he was directed to withdraw

And were directed to withdraw—

Motion for the Ho: being now put into a Committee on the Bill for Cemetery—

And M^r President opened the Bill, And a Motion was made that the House be now put into a Committee upon the said Bill.

It was resolved in the Negative.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to enable the Commissioners appointed by an Act of the General Assembly of this Province intituled “an Act for regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging” to Alien and Convey to certain Persons and their Successors, In Trust, Part of the said Common for the Purpose of inclosing a Cœmetry or burial Ground on the first day of June next.

Bill committed for the 1st Day of June next—

Duty Bill read a 2d Time

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty, and imposing a Duty on Negroes and Merchandize imported into this Province, was read a second Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on the twelfth Day of April next

House in Committee on malignant Distemper Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act to prevent the bringing into and spreading of malignant and contagious Distempers in this Province.

After some Time

Amended

The House was resumed, And M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the report be received on Monday next

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 31^o Martii 1770^o

The House adjourned. till Monday Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 2^o Aprilis 1770^o

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Crooke

Bill fm. Coms.
House for lay-
ing out a Road
in St. Philip's
Parish &c.—

that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for laying out a Road in the Parish of Saint Philip, and empowering Commissioners to establish Ferries to and from the Town of Sunbury, And also for laying out a Road from the Town of Queensborough to join the Newington Road leading to Savannah and for clearing the River great Ogechee, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House, And the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time.

Read the first
Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be Read a Second Time on Wednesday.

Amendmts.
to malignant
Distemper Bill
reported—

M^r Powell from the Committee of the whole House reported the Amendments made to the Bill intituled an Act to prevent the bringing into and Spreading of malignant and contagious Distempers in this Province which Amendments be ^(sic) read twice, were agreed to by the House.

And agreed to,

Title of the Bill
altered

It is resolved That the Title of the Bill be an Act intituled an Act to Amend an Act, intituled an Act to prevent the bringing into and spreading of malignant and contagious Distempers in this Province, to oblige Masters or Commanders of Vessels going out of any Port within the same first to produce a Passport from the Governor or Commander in Chief to prevent the harbouring of Sick Sailors and others, and for the regulating and well ordering of the Lazaretto upon the Island of Tybee.

ORDERED That the Bill be ingrossed.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 3° Aprilis 1770°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven oClock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 4° Aprilis 1770°

Road Bill read
2d Time

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for laying out a Road in the Parish of Saint Philip, and empowering Commissioners to establish Ferries to and from the Town of Sunbury, and also for laying out a Road from the Town of Queensborough to join the Newington Road leading to Savannah and for clearing the river great Ogechee, was read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Friday next.

Bill to amend
and explain
Parish Act
presented—

Mr Mackay presented to the House a Bill to amend and explain an Act for constituting and dividing the several Districts and Divisions of this Province into Parishes, and for establishing of religious Worship therein according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England, and also for empowering the Church Wardens and Vestry men of the respective Parishes to assess

Received

Rates for the Repair of Churches, the relief of the Poor, and other Parochial Services So far as relates to the Cœmetry or burial Ground for the Parish of Christ Church, And the said Bill was received

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning, Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 5^o Aprilis 1770^o

Malignant Dis-
temper Bill
read a third
Time—

The ingrossed Bill intituled an Act, to amend an Act, intituled, an Act to prevent the bringing into and spreading of malignant and contagious Distempers in this Province, to oblige Masters or Commanders of Vessels going out of any Port within the same first to produce a passport from the Governor or Commander in Chief, to prevent the harbouring of Sick Sailors and others, and for the regulating and well ordering of the Lazaretto upon the Island of Tybee was read a third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill Shall pass

Passed

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And sent to
Coms House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery, with the said Bill desiring their Concurrence thereto.

Bill to amend
Parish Act
read the first
Time—

The Bill intituled an Act, to amend and explain an Act for constituting and dividing the several Districts and Divisions of this Province into Parishes, and for establishing of religious Worship therein according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England and also

for impowering the Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the respective Parishes to assess Rates for the repair of Churches, the Relief of the Poor and other Parochial Services, So far as relates to the Cœmetry or burial Ground for the Parish of Christ Church, was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time

ORDERED That the Bill be read a Second Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven oClock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 6^o Aprilis 1770^o

Bill fm. Coma.
Ho: to alien
Part of Com-
mon for a Cem-
etery for the
Jews—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Crooke that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act to enable the Commissioners appointed in and by an Act of the General Assembly of this Province intituled “an Act for regulating the Town of Savannah and “for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging” to alien and convey to certain persons and their Successors, In Trust, Part of the said Common for the Purpose of inclosing a Cœmetry or burial Ground for the Inhabitants of the said Town of Savannah-professing the Jewish Religion, and the said Bill was read the first Time and ordered to be read a second Time.

Read the first
Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a second Time on Monday next.

House in Com-
mittee on Road
Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for laying out a Road in

the Parish of Saint Philip, and empowering Commissioners to establish Ferries to and from the Town of Sunbury and also for laying out a Road from the Town of Queensborough to join the Newington Road leading to Savannah and for clearing the River great Ogechee

After some Time

The House was resumed, And M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time To Morrow.

Bill to amend
& explain Par-
ish Act read a
2d Time

The Bill intituled an Act to amend and explain an Act, for constituting and dividing the several Districts and Divisions of this Province into Parishes, and for establishing of religious Worship therein according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England and also for inpowering the Church Wardens and Vestry Men of the Respective Parishes to Assess Rates for the Repair of Churches, the relief of the Poor and other Parochial Services So far as relates to the Cœmetry or burial Ground for the Parish of Christ Church was read a Second Time

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven oClock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 7^o Aprilis 1770^o

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to explain &
amend Parish
Act—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Bill intituled an Act to amend and explain an Act for constituting and dividing the several Districts and Divisions of this Province into Parishes and for establishing of religious Worship therein according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England, and also for empowering the Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the respective Parishes to assess Rates for the repair of Churches, the Relief of the Poor, and other Parochial Services, So far as relates to the Cœmetry or burial Ground for the Parish of Christ Church.

After some Time

Passed with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed and M^r Mackay reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

Bill ingrossed.

ORDERED That the Bill be ingrossed.

An ingrossed Bill intituled an Act, to Amend and explain an Act, for constituting and dividing the several Districts and Divisions of this Province into Parishes and for establishing of Religious Worship therein according to the Rites and Ceremonies of the Church of England, and also for empowering the Church Wardens and Vestrymen of the Respective Parishes to assess Rates for the repair of Churches the Relief of the Poor, and other Parochial Services, So far as relates to the Cœmetry or burial Ground for the Parish of Christ

Read a third Time Church, was read a third Time and some Amendments made by the House to the Bill

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass"

Passed It was resolved in the Affirmative

And sent to the Coms. House. ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery with the said Bill desiring their Concurrence thereto.

Message fm. Coms. Ho: agreeing to malignant Distemper Bill with some Amendments.
Amendments considered and agreed to—

A Message from the Commons House, by M^r Glen that the Commons House have agreed to the ingrossed Bill from this House, intituled an Act, to amend an Act, intituled an Act to prevent the bringing into and Spreading of malignant and contagious Distempers in this Province, to oblige Masters or Commanders of Vessels going out of any Port within the same, first to produce a Passport from the Governor or Commander in Chief to prevent the harbouring of Sick Sailors and others, and for the regulating and well ordering of the Lazaretto upon the Island of Tybee, with some Amendments, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House The House forthwith proceeded to take in Consideration the Amendments made by the Commons House to the said Bill, and the said Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

Message to Coms. House agreeg. to sd. Amendments—

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery acquainting them that this House agree to the Amendments made by their House to the said Bill.

Road Bill read a third Time and amended—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for laying out a Road in the Parish of Saint Philip, and empowering Commissioners to establish Ferries to and from the Town of Sunbury, and also for

laying out a Road from the Town of Queensborough to join the Newington Road leading to Savannah and for clearing the River great Ogechee, was read a third Time and some Amendments were made thereto by the House in the Title of the said Bill

RESOLVED That the Title of the Bill be an Act, for
Title to the Bill altered. laying out a Road in the Parish of Saint Philip, and empowering Commissioners to establish Ferries to and from the Town of Sunbury; and also for laying out a Road from the Town of Queensborough to join a Road directed by former Act, of the general Assembly to be laid out from Horse Creek to the Newington Road and for clearing the River great Ogechee.

Passed Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons
And sent to Coms. House. House by the Master in Chancery, to return the said Bill and desires their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Memorial of Freeholders of Savannah touching Bill for inclosing Cemetery for the Jews— A Memorial of Sundry Freeholders and Inhabitants of the Town of Savannah whose names are thereunto subscribed was presented to the House and read setting forth that the Memorialists were well informed that a Petition had been received by the Honourable the Commons House of Assembly from the few Inhabitants of Savannah who professed the Jewish Religion praying for a certain Spot of Ground on the Common to be aliened and conveyed to them for the purpose of inclosing a Cemetery or burial Ground, which they alledged although it did not Appear from any Record was formerly allotted them by General Oglethorpe for the purpose aforesaid— That the Memorialists were likewise

informed that the Commons House in Consequence of the said Petition had given Leave to bring in a Bill agreeable to the Prayer thereof— That the Memorialists were apprehensive should such a Bill pass into a Law it would be attended with very detrimental Consequences to the Memorialists and the Lotholders of Savannah in general, as the Spot of Ground desired was so contiguous to many of the Houses on the South part of the Town that it would become a Nuisance and in some measure prevent the extending the Town that way, and would also be a means of lessening the Value of many of the Lots, as they apprehend no Person would choose to buy or rent an House whose Windows looked into a Burial Ground of any kind particularly one belonging to a People who might be presumed, from Prejudice of Education to have imbibed Principles entirely repugnant to those of our most holy Religion And praying to be heard by their Council against the said Bill passing into a Law

Praying to be
heard by Coun-
cil agt. the Bill
passing into a
Law—

ORDERED That the Memorial to lye upon the Table to be perused by the Members of this House

And then the House adjourned till
Monday Morning Eleven oClock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 9^o Aprilis 1770^o

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled
an Act to enable the Commissioners appointed in and
by an Act of the general Assembly of this Province in-
titled “An Act for regulating the Town of Savannah
“and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging”

Bill for aliening
Comon to in-
close Cemetery
for the Jews
read 2d Time—

to alien and Convey to certain Persons and their Successors In Trust, Part of the said Common for the purpose of inclosing a Cœmetry or burial Ground for the Inhabitants of the Town of Savannah professing the Jewish Religion was read a Second Time.

Petition of
Inhabitants
of Jewish Re-
ligion in Sup-
port of the said
Bill—

And a Petition of divers Inhabitants of the Town of Savannah professing the Jewish Religion whose names were thereunto subscribed, was also presented to the House and read Setting forth, That a Bill having passed the Commons House of Assembly for allowing to the Petitioners a certain part of the Common of the said Town for the Purpose of a burying Ground, which was formerly allotted them by General James Oglethorpe, and the same being before this House, and the Petitioners having Information that a Number of the Inhabitants of the said Town had presented or intended to present a Petition against the said Bill passing into a Law Humbly Prayed that they might be heard by one or more of themselves or by their Council in Support of the said Bill.

And praying to
be heard by
themselves or
Council—

And it being thereupon proposed that the Bill be Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Wednesday next.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven oClock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 10^o Aprilis 1770^o

The House was adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven oClock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 11^o Aprilis 1770^o

House in Committee on Bill for inclosing Cemetery for the Jews—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House, intituled an Act to enable the Commissioners appointed in and by an Act of the General Assembly of this Province intituled “An Act for regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging” to alien and Convey to certain Persons and their Successors, In Trust, Part of the said Common for the purpose of inclosing a Cœmetry or burial Ground for the Inhabitants of the said Town of Savannah professing the Jewish Religion

After some Time

Amended

The House was resumed, and M^r Elliott reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honourable House will please to receive the same

Report of Amendments. to be recd. the 2d June next

ORDERED That the Report be received on the second day of June next.

The House was again adjourned during Pleasure and

House in Com-
mittee on Bill
to amend Elec-
tion Law—

put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act intituled an Act to ascertain the manner and form of electing Members to represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly.

After some Time

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and Mr Read reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven oClock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 12^o Aprilis 1770^o

Bill to amend
Election Law
read a third
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act to amend an Act intituled an Act to ascertain the Manner and Form of Electing Members to represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly, was read a third Time

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass”

Passed

It was resolved in the affirmative.

And sent to the
Coms. House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said

Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

Commitment of
Duty Bill ad-
journed sine
Die—

The Order of the Day was read for the House to be put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled “an Act for granting to his Majesty and imposing a Duty on Negroes and Merchandize imported into this Province, It was moved that the House should be put into a Committee thereupon: after debate

It was resolved That the Committment of the said Bill be adjourned Sine Die

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven oClock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 13° Aprilis 1770°

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven oClock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 14° Aprilis 1770°

M^r President informéd the House that he had a Message from his Excellency the Governor, signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House, and he delivered it in at the Table, where the said Message was read, and is as follows viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

Message fm.
the Governr.
adjourning the
House.

I do hereby adjourn the upper House of Assembly
untill Thursday the twenty fourth Day of this Instant
April, then to meet for the Dispatch of Business, and
it is accordingly adjourned to the 24th Instant

Given under my Hand at Savannah this
14th Day of April 1770

JAMES WRIGHT

To the Hon^{ble} the President and
Members of the upper House of
Assembly— }

ORDERED That all Orders and Resolutions be ad-
journed over to that Day

And then the House adjourned till Tues-
day the 24th April Eleven oClock in the
Forenoon.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 24^o Aprilis 1770^o

M^r President informed the House that he had a Mes-
sage from his Excellency the Governor signed by his
Excellency, which he was directed to lay before this
House, and he delivered it in at the Table, where the
said Message was read and is as follows viz^t

Honourable Gentlemen

I do hereby adjourn the upper House of Assembly

Another
Adjournmt.

untill Tuesday the first Day of May next then to meet for the Dispatch of Business, and it is accordingly adjourned to the first of May next

Given under my Hand at Savannah this
24th Day of April 1770

JAMES WRIGHT

To the Hon^{ble} the President and
Members of the upper House of
Assembly }

ORDERED That all Orders and Resolutions be adjourned over to that Day.

And then the House adjourned till Tuesday the First Day of May Eleven oClock in the Forenoon.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 1^o Maii 1770^o

Bill fm. Coms.
House ap-
pointg. In-
spectors of
Tobacco &c.—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Crooke that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled An Act for appointing Inspectors of Tobacco, and to prevent the Exportation of bad and unmerchantable Tobacco, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House.

Tax Bill brot.
fm. Coms.
House—

Also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of Three thousand three hundred and Fifty five Pounds Nine Shillings and One farthing, for the use and support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1770, to be

raised at certain Rates, and after the Method therein mentioned, for the more effectual Collecting of Arrears, And for exempting the Parishes of Saint David Saint Patrick, Saint Thomas, and Saint Mary, they not being represented, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House.

Tobacco Bill
read 1st Time

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House, intituled an Act for appointing Inspectors of Tobacco, and to prevent the Exportation of bad and unmerchantable Tobacco, was read the first Time, and ordered to be read a second Time.

and also

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a second Time.

Read a second
Time

And the said Bill was accordingly read a Second Time

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Bill on Thursday next.

Tax Bill read
1st & 2d Time.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of Three thousand three hundred and fifty five pounds Nine Shillings and one farthing for the use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1770, to be raised at certain Rates and after the Method therein mentioned for the more effectual Collecting of Arrears and for exempting the Parishes of Saint David, Saint Patrick, Saint Thomas, and Saint Mary, they not being represented, was read the first Time, and ordered to be read a second Time.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a second Time.

And the said Bill was accordingly read a second Time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be committed.

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put be put into a Committee upon the said Bill to Morrow.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven oClock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 2^o Maii 1770^o

A Message was brought from the Commons House
by M^r Græme in the following words viz^t

Commons House of Assembly 2^d May 1770

Honourable Gentlemen

This House having taken into Consideration the
Amendments made by your House to the ingrossed Bill
from this House intituled an Act for laying out a Road
in the Parish of Saint Philip &c. have agreed to all the
said Amendments except one, therefore the House de-
sires you will appoint a Committee to join a Committee
of this House on the Subject Matter of the said Amend-
ment

Message fm.
Coms. Ho: de-
siring Confer-
ence on the
Amendmts. to
Road Bill—

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put

Tax Bill in
Committee

into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of three thousand three hundred and fifty five pounds Nine Shillings and one farthing for the use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1770 to be raised at certain rates and after the Method therein mentioned for the more effectual collecting of Arrears and for exempting the Parishes of Saint David, Saint Patrick, Saint Thomas, and Saint Mary they not being represented

After some Time

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Powell reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third time on Friday next

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven oClock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 3^o Maii 1770^o

Ordinance fm.
Coms. House
for reappoint-
ing provincial
Agent fm. 1st
June next

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houston, that the Commons House have passed an Ordinance for reappointing Benjamin Franklin, Esquire, Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain to commence the first Day of June next, and to Continue for One Year, to which they desire the Con-

Read the first
Time

currence of this Honourable House, and the said Ordinance was read the first Time and ordered to be read a Second Time—

and also

ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a Second Time.

Read a second
Time.

And then the said Ordinance was accordingly read a Second Time.

And it being proposed that the Ordinance be committed

ORDERED That the Ordinance be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee upon the said Ordinance to Morrow.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 3^d May 1770

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. Ho:
agreeing to
Conference
on Amendmt.
to Road Bill

The upper House agrees to the Conference desired by your House on the Amendment made by this House to the ingrossed Bill, intituled, an Act for laying out a Road in the Parish of Saint Philip, and empowering Commissioners to establish Ferries &c. &c. have named a Committee for that purpose and do appoint the same to be held in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber immediately— Committee James Mackay and James Read Esq^{rs}

House
adjourned.

The House being informed that a Committee of the Commons House attended the Conference, the House

Conference
held

was adjourned during Pleasure and the Committee went to the said Conference.

Which being ended

House
resumed

Amendmt. to
said Bill agreed
to at Confer-
ence

The House was resumed, and M^r Mackay reported that the Committee, had joined a Committee of the Commons House in Conference on the Subject Matter of the Amendment made by this House to the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for laying out a Road in the Parish of Saint Philip and empowering Commissioners to establish Ferries &c; And that the Committee from the Commons House had agreed to the said Amendment.

Bill to amend
Act for regul-
ating Town of
Savanh. &c.
read a third
Time.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for further amending an Act, intituled an Act, for regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging, was read a third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass"

Passed

It was resolved in the Affirmative

And sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment

House in Com-
mittee on
Tobacco Bill—

The House adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for appointing Inspectors of Tobacco, and to prevent the Exportation of bad and unmerchantable Tobacco.

After some Time

Reported with-
out Amendment.

The House was resumed, And M^r Graham reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be read a third Time to Morrow

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in the following words viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 3^d May 1770.

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
desiring to see
Correspond-
ence with
Provincial
Agent—

This House desires that they may have laid before them the Correspondence that has passed between M^r Benjamin Franklin and the Publick during the Time he has been appointed Agent for this Province

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven oClock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 4^o Maii 1770^o

Tax Bill read
3d Time.

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of three thousand three hundred and Fifty five pounds, nine Shillings and one farthing for the use and Support of the Government of Georgia for the year 1770 to be raised at Certain Rates and after the method therein mentioned, for the more effectual Collecting of Arrears, and for

exempting the Parishes of Saint David, Saint Patrick, Saint Thomas and Saint Mary, they not being represented was read a third Time

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass"

Passed without
Amendment

It was resolved in the Affirmative

and

Sent to Coms.
House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any amendment.

Ho: in Commit-
tee on Ordi-
nance re-ap-
pointing pro-
vincial Agent
from June next

The House was adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ordinance from the Commons House for reappointing Benjamin Franklin, Esquire, Agent to Solicit the affairs of this Province in Great Britain to commence the first Day of June next and to Continue for one Year

After some Time

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed and M^r Graham reported that the Committee had gone through the Ordinance, and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Ordinance in at the Table

ORDERED That the Ordinance be now read a third Time

Read a third
Time,

And the same was accordingly read a third Time and some Amendments were made by the House to the said Ordinance

And passed.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Ordinance with the Amendments shall pass"

It was resolved in the affirmative

And sent to
Coms. House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Ordinance and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

Tobacco Bill
read a third
Time—

The ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intitled an Act for appointing Inspectors of Tobacco, and to prevent the Exportation of bad and unmerchantable Tobacco was read a third Time.

Passed

Then the Question was put “Whether this Bill shall pass?”

It was resolved in the affirmative

And sent to
Coms. House.

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven oClock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati 5^o Maii 1770^o

Message fm.
Coms. House
agreeing to
Amendmts.
in Ordinance
re-appointing
Agent—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Græme that the Commons House have agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the Ordinance for re-appointing Benjamin Franklin, Esquire, Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain to commence

the first Day of June next and to Continue for one Year

Bill fm. Coms.
Ho: assessing
Inhabitants to
support a
Watch in Sa-
vannah—

Also that the Commons House have passed a Bill intituled an Act for empowering Commissioners to assess the Inhabitants of the Town of Savannah in the Sum of £200.. 13.. 4: and also to empower the Treasurer to issue Certificates for the Sum of £100.. 6.. 8. to be sunk by the next general Tax Act for supporting a Watch in the Town of Savannah, to which they desire the Concurrence of this Honourable House— And the said Bill was read the first Time, and ordered to be read a Second Time.

Read the first
Time.

and also

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a Second Time.

Read a second
Time—

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House

ORDERED That the House be now put into a Committee upon the said Bill

House in Com-
mittee on
Watch Bill—

Accordingly the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled an Act for empowering Commissioners to assess the Inhabitants of the Town of Savannah in the Sum of £200.. 13.. 4: And also to empower the Treasurer to issue Certificates for the Sum of £100.. 6.. 8 to be sunk by the next general Tax for supporting a Watch in the Town of Savannah

After some Time

Reported with-
out Amendmt.

The House was resumed, and M^r Jones reported that the Committee had gone through the Bill and that he was directed to report the same to the House without any Amendment, and he delivered the Bill in at the Table.

ORDERED That the Bill be now read a third Time.

Read a third
Time

And the Bill was accordingly read a third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether this Bill shall pass"

Passed

It was resolved in the affirmative

And sent to
Coms. House

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and acquaint them that this House hath agreed to the same without any Amendment.

And then the House adjourned till Monday Morning, Eleven oClock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 7^o Maii 1770^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 8^o Maii 1770^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii 9^o Maii 1770^o

The House adjourned till to Morrow
Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis 10^o Maii 1770

His Excellency the Governor came to this ^(sic) and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery requiring their attendance in the Council Chamber immediately.

His Excellency
the Govr. gives
his Assent to
the following
Bills vizt.

Accordingly M^r Speaker with the Commons House attended, and his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bills, viz^t

Tax Act An Act for granting to his Majesty the Sum of £3355.. 9.. 0¼ for the use and support of the Government of Georgia for the Year 1770 to be raised at certain rates and after the method therein mentioned, for the more effectual collecting of arrears, and for exempting the Parishes of Saint David, S^t Patrick, S^t Thomas and S^t Mary they not being represented.

Negro Act An Act for ordering and governing Slaves within this Province and for establishing a Jurisdiction for the Trial of such Slaves, and other Persons therein mentioned and to prevent the inveigling and carrying away Slaves from their Masters, Owners, or Employers.

Act to amend
Act for regu-
lating Town
of Savh. &c.

An Act for further amending an Act, intituled an Act for the better regulating the Town of Savannah and for ascertaining the Common thereunto belonging

Watch Act.

An Act for empowering Commissioners to assess the Inhabitants of the Town of Savannah in the Sum of £200.. 13.. 4. and also to empower the Treasurer to issue Certificates for the Sum of £100.. 6.. 8, to be sunk by the next general Tax for supporting a Watch in the Town of Savannah.

Tobacco Act.

An Act far appointing Inspectors of Tobacco and to prevent the Exportation of bad and unmerchantable Tobacco.

Act to amend
Act to prevent
bring in malign-
(sic)
nant and con-
tagious Dis-
tempers &c.

An Act to amend an Act intituled an Act to prevent the bringing into and spreading of malignant, and Contagious Distempers in this Province, to oblige Masters or Commanders of Vessels going out of any Port within the same, first to produce a passport from the Governor or Commander in Chief, to prevent the harbouring of Sick Sailors, and others, and for the regulating and well ordering of the Lazaretto upon the Island of Tybee.

Act to regulate
and ascertain
the Rates of
Wharfage &c.

An Act to regulate and ascertain the Rates of Wharfage, of Shipping and Merchandize, and also to ascertain the Rates of Storeage in the several Ports of this Province, and for the better Regulation of Wharfs and of Shipping, in the said Ports, and for ascertaining the Duty of an Harbour Master for the Port of Savannah

Act to continue
several Laws—

An Act to continue the several Laws therein mentioned

An Act for
raising Watch-
men

An Act for raising a Number of Watchmen for preserving good Order in and about the Town of Savannah

Ordinance
reappointing
provincial
Agent

An Ordinance for reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Solicit the Affairs of this Province in great Britain to commence the first day of June next and to continue for One Year.

Ordinance
appointing
Packers and
Inspectors &c.

An Ordinance for appointing Packers and Inspectors for the Ports of Savannah and Sunbury, and also Cullers and Inspectors of Lumber in the said Ports.

Ordinance
appointing
Harbour Mas-
ter

An Ordinance for appointing Andrew Elton Wells, Harbour Master for the Port of Savannah.

The two following Bills having passed both Houses were also presented for his Excellency's Assent viz^t

Bills not
assented to.

A Bill intituled an Act to amend an Act, intituled an Act, to ascertain the manner and Form of electing Members to represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly.

A Bill intituled an Act for laying out a Road in the Parish of St Philip, and empowering Commissioners to establish Ferries to and from the Town of Sunbury and also for laying out a Road from the Town of Queensborough to join a Road directed by a former Act of the general Assembly to be laid out from Horse Creek, to the Newington Road, and for clearing the River great Ogechee.

And his Excellency made answer that he would consider of those Bills.

And then his Excellency made the following Speech to both Houses of Assembly Viz^t

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

His Excellen-
cy's Speech to
both Houses—

I thank you for the great and very proper Attention you have given to the public Business during this Session

And M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly

I am to thank you for the Supplies you have granted for the Service of the present Year, but there is one Thing that I recommend to you which has proved unsuccessful I mean the Bill relating to Indian Affairs, the Utility and Necessity of which (if possible) appears more and more every Day; however as the Season is so far advanced, I cannot now recommend it to your Reconsideration, but hope every Gentleman will during the Recess inform and prepare himself in such a Manner that at our next Meeting, something effectual may be agreed upon relative to this Point so essential to the Peace and Safety of the Province

JAMES WRIGHT

And then his Excellency was pleased to ask whether the House had any further Business before them Whereupon M^r Speaker, answered that the Commons House had some Things yet to consider of And then M^r Speaker with the Commons House withdrew.

House resumed And M^r President resuming the Chair

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Grøeme, That the Commons House were of Opinion that the Bill intituled an Act to Amend an Act, to ascertain the Manner and Form of electing Members to represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly would be of great Advantage to this Province, which Bill passed both Houses of Assembly this Session, and on its being presented for the assent, his Excellency was pleased to answer he would consider of it, Therefore the Commons House desired that this House would appoint a Committee to join a Committee of their House in preparing an Ad-

Message fm.
Coms. Ho: de-
siring a Com-
mittee of this
Ho: might join
a Committee of
their Ho: in
drawg. up an
Address to his
Exclly. touch-
ing Election
Bill passed but
not assented
to—

dress to be presented to his Excellency requesting that he will be pleased to use his utmost Endeavours and Influence to obtain an Instruction from his Majesty permitting him to assent to a Law of the same Tenor and Purport.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery in Answer to the foregoing Message Viz^t

M^r Speaker

Message to
Coms. House
appointing a
Committee to
join in preparg.
Address.

This House is of Opinion with You that a Bill of the Tenor and Purport of the Bill intituled an Act, to amend an Act, to ascertain the Manner and Form of electing Members to represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly (This Day presented to his Excellency and not Assented to) would be of great Utility to the Province, And have accordingly appointed a Committee to join a Committee of your House in preparing an Address to his Excellency on the Subject Matter thereof

Message fm.
Coms. House
approving
Address prepared by joint
Committee—

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Grøeme, That upon Report from the Committee of their House appointed to join a Committee of this House in Preparing a joint Address to his Excellency the Governor on the Subject Matter of the Bill intituled an Act, to amend an Act, to ascertain the Manner and Form of electing Members to represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly, Their House had agreed to the Addresses so prepared

Message to
Coms. House
approvg. address prepared
by joint Committee—

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery That the Committee of this House appointed to join a Committee of their House in drawing up a joint Address to his Excellency the Governor, on the Subject Matter of the Bill to Amend an Act, to ascertain

the Manner and Form of electing Members, to represent the Inhabitants of this Province, in the Commons House of Assembly, Having reported the Address so prepared, this House had agreed thereto.

ORDERED That the said Address be entered on the Journals and signed by the President.

To his Excellency James Wright, Esquire, Captain General, and Governor in Chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia, Chancellor and Vice Admiral of the same

The humble Address of both Houses of Assembly in general Assembly met.

Address. Whereas a Bill intituled "An Act for amending an Act, to ascertain the Manner and Form of electing Members to represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly" was this Day presented to your Excellency, for your assent, of which you was pleased to say you would consider being, as we understand, framed contrary to a royal Instruction; but as we think that such a Bill will be attended with great Advantages to the Province, and that the Qualifications of both Electors and Elected, as expressed in that Bill, are better adapted to our local Circumstances and will be the means of a more general and equal Representation of the People. We therefore request the Favour of your Excellency to use your utmost Endeavours and Influence to obtain an Instruction from his Majesty permitting you to assent to a Law of the same Tenor and Purport.

ORDERED That M^r Powell do join a Member of the Commons House, and wait on his Excellency the Governor to know when he will please to be attended by the two Houses to present their Address

Mr Powell reported that he with a Member from the Commons House had attended his Excellency the Governor, to know when it was his Pleasure to receive the two Houses with their Address, And his Excellency answered that he would be ready to receive them in the Council Chamber immediately.

Address
presented.

Whereupon the House adjourned and, with the Commons House, waited on his Excellency in the Council Chamber and presented the Address, which his Excellency received very kindly and was pleased to give the following Answer thereto Viz^t

Gentlemen

His Excellency's
Answer

You may rest assured that this Address shall have its full and due Weight with me and that I will transmit a Copy of it, and of the Bill to his Majesty's Secretary of State, and will write to him on the Subject and give such Reasons in favor of the Bill as may occur to me.

And then his Excellency prorogued the General Assembly untill Monday the 13th Day of August next.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

GEORGIA

A true Copy of the Journal of Proceedings of the Upper House of Assembly beginning on Monday the twenty Second day of October 1770, and ending on Friday the twenty Second day of February 1771 ^(sic) Seventy one.

ALEX WYLLY Cl^k of the House.

Rec^d March 14. 1774.

Great Seal taken off by S. B.

GEORGIA

Journal of the Upper House Met in Generall Assembly on Monday the twenty second Day of October One Thousand Seven hundred & Seventy

Being the Second Session of the Seventh General Assembly in and for the Province of Georgia Appointed to meet in Savannah

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 22nd Octobris 1770.

The House met and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 23^d Octobris.

The House met According to Adjournment and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 24th Octobris.

His Excellency the Governor came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House of Assembly by the Master in Chancery requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber Immediately.

After some time,

M^r Speaker with the Commons House Attending—His Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Assembly. And then Withdrew.

Then M^r President Reported to the House, That his Excellency the Governor had made a Speech to both Houses of Assembly of which to prevent mistakes He had procured a Copy, which was read to the House by the Clerk in the words following Viz^t

Honorable Gentlemen;

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly.

As I have nothing in Particular in Charge from his Majesty to lay before you I shall therefore Just Mention

two or three Matters which to Me appear to be of great Importance to the Prosperity of this Province.

A Bill for the Better Regulation of Indian Affairs, And restraining our back Settlers from Trading and Trafficking with them is Certainly a Matter of the utmost Consequence; My Sentiments on this Subject are so well known to you, that I shall only say, That altho' no Law Passed by us may be altogether Effectual without the Concurrence of some of the Neighbouring Colonies, yet its very clear to me that from the Materials you had before You the Last Cession; such a Bill may be framed as will Answer many Salutary Purposes, the Reconsideration of which I must Recommend to You.

In October 1765 I observed that the encouragement and ease of Trade and Navigation deserved our Serious Attention, and recommended to the Consideration of the Council and then House of Assembly the Improvement of the Navigation of our River, at least that they would fall on some Effectual Means to prevent its growing worse by the great Quantities of Earth and Sand that in Rainey Seasons washed down into the River from the Bluff before the Town and which I apprehend would in a short time Affect and Injure the Navigation. This Matter Gentlemen was then Approved of by both Houses, but it so happened that nothing was done in it at that time, or has been since, And I am Affraid the Navigation is much Injured thereby, Let me therefore again Recommend it to your Consideration. And as we know by experience that Seamen and Poor People Suffer greatly for want of proper care when sick, if a small part of the Common, in a Convenient place was Appropriated to build an Infirmary upon, and some little Assistance could be given towards it I think it would Answer a very Charitable and good Purpose.

The Publick Faith and Credit of this Province has hitherto been and is now very good, but in order that it may Continue so, it seems necessary that we should examine into the State of our Accounts and finances, And that all Publick Orders or Certificates, of every Denomination, which are out of date, and ought by Law to be sunk, should be brought in and burnt; This is a Matter which I must recommend to your Consideration and Inquiry, And for that Purpose will order the Treasurer to furnish you with a full and Clear State of our Funds and Currency of every kind.

The Light House on Tybee Island, and the Fort on Cockspur Island are also objects of the greatest Consequence to the Publick in General These I have lately been to View and have some observation and proposals relative thereto to lay before you, which I intend to do fully and Clearly by way of Message. These and any other proper Measures that may Occurr and appear Necessary and Usefull for the Publick Good I shall readily Concurr with you in.

Gentlemen of the Assembly,

I shall forthwith direct an Account of the Produce of the last years Tax to be laid before you, and the Usual Estimate for the Service of the Current year, together with such Accounts and Demands As may be delivered in to the Treasurer, all which I doubt not but you will Chearfully provide for.

JA: WRIGHT

Savannah in Georgia, Council Chamber}
the 24th October 1770—

RESOLVED Nemine Dissentiente That an Address of Thanks be drawn up and presented to his Excellency the Governor for his Affectionate Speech to both Houses.

ORDERED That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address of Thanks to, his Excellency the Governor upon the said Resolution, and that M^r Powell M^r Graham and M^r Martin be the Committee.

ORDERED That his Excellency's Speech be referr'd to the said Committee.

Then the House Adjourned during pleasure, and the Committee Appointed to prepare an Address to his Excell^y withdrew for that purpose.

After some time,

The House was resumed, and Powell from the Committee Reported, That the Committee had prepared an Address to his Excellency According to order, which he was directed to Report when the Honorable House will be pleased to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now received,

And M^r Powell read the same in his place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table where the same was again read and agreed to by the House

ORDERED That the Address be Ingrossed.

ORDERED, That M^r Powell and M^r Martin do wait upon his Excellency the Governor to know when he will please this House shall wait upon him to present their Address

M^r Powell and M^r Martin Accordingly withdrew and being returned M^r Powell Reported That his Excellency had been waited upon Pursuant to Order, to know when he would receive this House with their Address, And that his Excellency had been pleased to say he would receive the House Immediately.

JOURNAL OF UPPER HOUSE

The Ingrossed Address to his Excellency the Gov^r being read,

ORDERED That M^r President do sign the same, and that the Address be Entered in the Journals.

To his Excellency James Wright Esquire Captain General and Governor in Chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia,

The humble Address of the Upper House of Assembly,

May it Please your Excellency

We his Majesty's most dutifull and Loyal Subjects the Council of Georgia in General Assembly met, beg leave to return your Excellency our Sincere thanks for your Affectionate speech to both Houses of Assembly.

We are well convinced of the necessity and Utility of a Bill for the Regulation of Indian Affairs, and for restraining our back settlers from Trading with the Indians, and tho' it may not be Attended with all the good Consequences we could wish, without the concurrence of the Neighbouring Provinces in a like measure, yet we intirely coincide with your Excellency in opinion that such a Bill may be framed as will Answer many Salutary Purposes.

Your Excellency's observation respecting the Navigation of our River, and that some method should be speedily fallen upon to prevent its growing worse, is so obvious that we doubt not but the most serious Attention will be paid to what you have been pleased to recommend on that subject; And as we are sensible that an Infirmary or some proper place for the reception of sick Seamen and Poor People, is much wanted, and that it will not

(sic) only be an Act of Humanity, nothing on our parts shall be wanting to promote so good a Work.

When we receive your Excellencys Message respecting the Fort at Cockspurr, and Light House on Tybee Island We shall take it under our most Serious Consideration, and pay all due regard thereto, being well Satisfied that both are Essential to our safety and Comerical Advantage.

We cannot conclude without returning your Excellency our gratefull thanks for the Attention you have ever paid to our publick Affairs, and for your unwearied endeavours in promoting the welfare of this very thriving Province, and we beg leave to Assure your Excellency that we will most chearfully concurr, and by every means in our power Assist in carrying into execution all those Salutary Measures which you have now recommended to us.

Then the House was adjourned during pleasure to Attend his Excellency the Governor and present their Address

And being returned,

The House was resumed, and M^r President reported that the House had attended his Excellency and presented their Address which he received very kindly and was pleased to give the following Answer viz^t

Honorable Gentlemen

I return you my most hearty thanks for this very kind Address, and it gives me great Satisfaction to find that We agree so entirely in opinion, which indeed will gen-

erally be the Case where the Motives and objects are the same.

JA: WRIGHT

October 24th 1770.

Then the House Adjourned 'till to
morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

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Die Jovis the 25th Octobris

The House met According to Adjournment and adjourn'd 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

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Die Veneris the 26th Octobris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 27th Octobris

The House met according to Adjournment and adjourned till Monday Morning Eleven O'Clock.

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Die Lunæ the 29th Octobris

The House met according to Adjournm^t and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 30th Octobris

The House met According to adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 31st Octobris

The House met According to Adjournment And Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 1st Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment And Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 2nd Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment And Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 3^d Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment And Adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 5th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment And Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 6th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment And Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 7th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment And Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 8th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Crooke, that the Commons House have passed a Bill to prevent stealing of Horses and other Cattle and for the more Effectual discovery of such Persons as shall Maliciously and Wickedly Kill, Mark or Brand the same.

And also that the Commons House have passed a Bill for the more easy and Speedy recovery of Losses or

damages sustained by the Negligence of Owners or Patroons of Vessels employed in Carrying rice and other Commodities, to both which bills they desire the Concurrence of this Honorable House.

And the said Bills were read the first time and ordered to be read the Second time to morrow,

And then the House Adjourned 'till to
morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 9th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House, to prevent Stealing of Horses and other Cattle and for the more Effectual discovery of such Persons as shall Maliciously Kill, Mark or Brand the same, was read the Second time.

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed

ORDERED That the Bill be committed to a Committee of the whole House to morrow Morning

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House for the more easy and Speedy recovery of Losses or damages sustained by the Negligence of Owners or Patroons of Vessells employed in carrying rice and other Commodities was read a Second time,

And it being proposed that the Bill be Committed

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ORDERED That the Bill be Committed to a Committee of the whole House to morrow.

And then the House Adjourned till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

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Die Sabbati the 10th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment

The House was Adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House to prevent Stealing Horses and other Cattle and for the more Effectual discovery and punishment of such Persons as shall Maliciously and Wickedly Kill Mark or Brand the same.

After some time

The House was resumed and M^r Powell from the Committee reported that the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill and made Several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the honorable House will be pleased to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be received on Monday next

The House again Adjourned during pleasure and was put into a Committee on the Ingros'd Bill from the Commons House for the more Easy Recovery of Losses or damages sustained by the Negligence of Owners or Patroons of Vessells Employed in Carrying Rice and other Commodities

After some time

The House was resumed and M^r Read from the Committee reported that the Committee had gone thro' the Bill and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honorable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED, That the Report be received on Monday next.

And then the House Adjourned till
Monday Morning Eleven O'Clock.

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Die Lunæ the 12th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment

M^r Pqwell According to order Reported the Amendments made by the Committee of the whole House to the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House "Entituled an Act to prevent Stealing of Horses and other Cattle and for the more Effectual discovery and punishment of such Persons as shall Maliciously and Wickedly Kill Mark or Brand the same—which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House.

M^r Read According to order Reported the Amendments made by the Committee of the whole House to the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Entituled an Act for the more easy And speedy Recovery of Losses or damages sustained by the Negligence of Owners or Patroons of Vessells Employed in Carrying rice or other Commodities which Amendments being read twice were agreed to by the House

ORDERED That Both the above Bills be read a third time to morrow.

And the House Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 13th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House to prevent Stealing of Horses and other Cattle and for the more Effectual discovery and Punishment of such Persons as shall Maliciously and Wickedly Kill, Mark or Brand the same, was read the third time.

Then the Question was put "Whether the Bill with the Amendments do pass."

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED, That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by the House therto.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act for the more Easy and Speedy recovery of Losses or Damages Sustained by the Negligence of Owners or Patroons of Vessells Employed in Carrying Rice or other Commodities was read the third Time.

Then the Question was put "Whether the Bill with the Amendments do pass"

It was Resolved in the Affirmative

ORDERED, That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Master in Chancery "to return the said Bill and desire their Concurrence in the Amendments made by this House thereto.

And then the House Adjourned 'till to
morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 14th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment And Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 15th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment And Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 16th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment And Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

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Die Sabbati the 17th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment and adjourned 'till Monday Morning 11 O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 19th Novembris

The House met according to adjournment and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 20th Novembris

The House met according to adjournm^t and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 21st Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment, and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven o'Clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 22nd Novembris

The House met according to Adjournm^t and adjourned
'till to morrow Morning Eleven o'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 23^d Novembris

The House met according to adjournment and ad-
joined 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 24th Novembris

The House met according to adjournment and Ad-
joined 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 26th Novembris

The House met according to Adjournment and Ad-
joined till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 27th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 28th Novembris

The House met according to Adjournment and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 29th Novembris

The House met According to Adjournment and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 30th Novembris

The House met according to adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning 11 O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 1st Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 3^d Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 4th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 5th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 6th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 7th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

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Die Sabbati the 8th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lünæ the 10th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 11th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 12th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Barnard "that the Commons House have passed a Bill for the better Ordering the Militia to which they desire the Concurrence of this honorable House.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House for the better ordering the Militia was read the first time and ordered to be read a second on Friday next,

And then the House Adjourned till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 13th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned till to morrow Morning 11 O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 14th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House "for the better ordering the Militia was read a Second time, and ordered to be Committed on Monday next.

And then the House Adjourned till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 15th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 17th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment

The House was Adjourned during pleasure & put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House for Better ordering the Militia.

After some time the House was resumed, and M^r Powell from the Committee of the whole House Reported that the Committee had gone thro' the Bill and made

several Amendments thereto, which he was directed to Report when the honorable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now made.

Then M^r Powell reported the Amendments made by the Committee to the said Bill, which being twice read were agreed to by the House

ORDERED, That the said Bill with the Amendments be read the third time on Thursday next.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Croke "That the Commons House have passed a Bill" to Impower Commissioners to lay out, make and repair the Roads already laid out or may hereafter be necessary, and also to clear the Rivers and Creeks within their Respective Divisions.

And that the Commons House have also Passed an Ordinance for Reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain" to which Bill and Ordinance they desire the Concurrence of this Honorable House.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House "to Impower Commissioners to Lay out, make and repair the Roads already laid out or that may hereafter be necessary, and also to Clear the Rivers and Creeks within their Respective divisions.

Also an Ordinance for reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain were read the first time, And Ordered to be read a second time to morrow.

And then the House adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

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Die Martis the 18th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment

The Bill to Impower Commissioners to Lay out, make and repair the Roads already laid out or may hereafter be necessary, And also to Clear the Rivers and Creeks within their Respective Divisions, was read the Second time and Ordered to be Committed to a Committee of the whole House on Thursday next

The Ordinance from the Commons House for reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain was read the Second time,

ORDERED, That the said Ordinance be Committed to a Committee of the whole House on Thursday next

Upon Motion of M^r Mackay, It is Ordered, that He prepare and Bring in an Ordinance for Appointing James Read Esq^r a Commissioner of the General Loan Office of this Province in the room of Francis Harris Esq^r who has resigned.

After some time,

M^r Mackay Reported, that he had prepared an Ordinance for Appointing James Read Esq^r a Commissioner of the General Loan Office of this Province in the room of Francis Harris Esq^r who has Resigned. And that He was ready to present the said Ordinance when the Hon^{ble} House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED, That the said Ordinance be now presented,

which being done the same was twice read & Ordered,
to be read the third time to morrow,

And then the House adjourned 'till to
morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 19th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment.

A petition of Hugh Ross Addressed to his Excellency the Governor, the Members of his Majesty's Honorable Council, the Speaker and Members of the Commons House of Assembly of the Province of Georgia, was received and read, and is in Substance as follows Viz^t

That the petitioner had the Honor of being Appointed Clerk of the Market in Savannah and had Acted as such for several Years, That the Weights and Measures provided by the Petitioner for the use of the Publick when he entered on his Office are now much Worn, Therefore praying that a New Sett of Weights and Measures may be provided to be made of Copper from a Gill to a Bushell also a Brass Yard

The House having Considered the prayer of the said Petition,

It is Ordered that the same be referred to the Consideration of the Commons House of Assembly.

And Then, The House Adjourned 'till
to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

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Die Jovis the 20th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment

The Order of the day being read, the House Adjourned during Pleasure, and was put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House to Impower Commissioners to lay out, make and repair the Roads already laid out, or may hereafter be Necessary, and also to Clear the Rivers & Creeks within their respective Divisions

After some time, the House was resumed

And M^r Graham from the Committee reported “that they had gone thro’ the said Bill and made Several Amendments thereto, which he was directed to Report, when the Honorable House will be pleased to receive the same.

ORDERED ^(sic) the Report be now made.

Then M^r Graham Reported the Amendments made by the Committee to the said Bill, which being twice read were Agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That the said Bill with the Amendments be read the third time To morrow.

The House again resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House to take under Consideration the Ordinance from the Commons House for Appointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain.

After some time the House was resumed.

And M^r Graham from the Committee Reported "That they had gone thro' the Ordinance and made some Amendments which he was directed to Report when the honorable House will please ^(sic) receive the same

ORDERED That the report be now made

Then M^r Graham reported the Amendments made by the Committee to the said Ordinance, which being twice read were Agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the said Ordinance with the Amendments be read the third time to morrow.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Stirk

Commons House of Assembly 20th Dec^r 1770

Hon^{ble} Gentlemen

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Ingrossed Bill "Intituled an Act for the better ordering the Militia" have agreed to some and disagreed to others, this House therefore desire that you will appoint a Committee of your House to joyn a Committee of this House in Conference on the subject Matter of the said Amendments.

Then the House Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 21st Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment

The ordinance Appointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province, in Great

Britain, was read the third time— passed with Amendments, And ordered to be Carried to the Commons House of Assembly and desire their Concurrence in the said Amendments.

A Message was sent by the Clerk to the Commons House in the words following Viz^t

Upper House of Assembly 21st Dec^r 1770

M^r Speaker,

In Answer to your Message of yesterday, desiring a Conference with this House on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made to the Bill "Intituled an Act for the better Ordering the Militia" doth Agree to the same, and have appointed a Committee Accordingly to meet in the room adjoining the Council Chamber Immediately

Committee

{ M^r Jones, M^r Harris }
{ M^r Mackay & M^r Powell }

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Glen, that the Commons House have passed a Bill "Intituled An Act for Establishing Several Ferries and for Vesting the Same in the Persons therein Mentioned," to which they desire the Concurrence of this House. And the same was received and read the first time.

M^r Powell from the Committee appointed to Confer with a Committee of the Commons House on the subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill for better Ordering the Militia Reported that the Committee had entered upon the said Conference made some progress therein and desired further time to close the same.

A Message from his Excellency the Governor to this House was received and read in the words following.

Honorable Gentlemen,

I do hereby Adjourn the Upper House of Assembly untill the Eighth ^(sic) day of January next then to meet for the dispatch of Business, and it is Accordingly Adjourned to the eighth ^(sic) day of January next

Given under my hand at Savannah the
21st Day of December 1770

JA WRIGHT

To the Hon^{ble} the President
& Members of the Upper House
of Assembly

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 8th Januarii 1771

The House met according to Adjournment and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 9th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

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Die Jovis 10th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment

A petition Signed by Sundry Persons Land holders and Inhabitants of the Parish of S^t Philips was received and read setting forth, that the Petitioners are Informed that a Bill hath passed the Commons House and is now under Consideration of this Honorable House "Intituled an Act for Laying out, Making and repairing the roads Already laid out or that may hereafter be necessary, and also for the more Effectual Clearing of the Rivers and Creeks within the respective divisions" that the said Bill directs a new road to be laid out thro' the said Parish, to the Parish of S^t John in the nearest and most Convenient way for Travellers. The petitioners therefore being Informed that the Persons Authorized to lay out the said Road have Resolved to Carry the same thro' places not only the most difficult to make passable, but more distant than is Necessary; pray a time may be Allowed them to have an Accurate Survey made of the Lands in the said Parish thro' which the said Road may be Carried to the greatest Publick Advantage & to lay a Plan of the same before this honorable House

Joseph Butler and William Le Conte Esquires two of the Subscribers to the above Petition having requested to be heard at the Bar of this House in Support of the Allegations Contained in the said Petition they were admitted and Examined Accordingly, And being withdrawn

It was Resolved, that fourteen days be Allowed the petitioners to have a Survey made and a plan returned to this House of the Road by them prayed for.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Crooke, that the Commons House have passed a Bill Intituled an Act for the relief of Parishes from such Charges as may arise from Bastard Children, to which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House "For the relief of Parishes from such Charges as may arise from Bastard Children" was read the first time.

And Ordered to be read a Second time.

A Petition of Sundry Persons Land holders and Inhabitants of the Parish of S^t Andrews, was received and read and is in Substance as follows Viz^t

That the Petitioners are Informed a Bill is now depending before this Honorable House "for Impowering Commissioners or Surveyors to Lay out, make and repair the roads already laid out or may hereafter be necessary and for Clearing the Rivers and Creeks within their respective divisions, And Praying that this Honorable House will be pleased to Add a Clause to the said Bill Impowering & Requiring Commiss^{rs} to lay out a Road from the Plantation of Thomas Goldsmith opposite to the Town of Sunbury, to be Continued untill it Joyns the Main South Road in S^t Philips Parish, and also for Establishing a Publick Ferry from the said Plantation to the Town of Sunbury, which if Granted will be of great Utility Not only to the Petitioners but to all Inhabitants to the Southward of the Parish of S^t Johns by shortning the distance to Savannah Many Miles &c.

ORDERED That the Petition lye upon the Table for the perusal and Consideration of the Members.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House "for Establishing several Ferries and for Vesting the same in

the persons therein Mentioned" Was read a second time and ordered to be Committed to a Committee of the whole House on Wednesday the thirteenth Instant.

And then the House Adjourned till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 11th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourn'd 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 12th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned till Monday Morning Eleven O'clock.

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Die Lunæ the 14th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourn'd 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

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Die Martis the 15th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

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Die Mercurii the 16th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

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Die Jovis the 17th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

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Die Veneris the 18th Januarii

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Die Sabbati the 19th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'Clock.

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Die Lunæ the 21st Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

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Die Martis the 22nd Januarii

The House met according to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

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Die Mercurii the 23^d Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

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Die Jovis the 24th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment,

The Order of the day being read for taking into Consideration the petition of the Inhabitants of the Parish of S^t Philip who subscribed the same, Joseph Butler Esq^r one of the petitioners Attended, and delivered in a plan of the Road petitioned for to be laid out in the Aforsaid Parish, And being Withdrawn,

ORDERED, That the said Plan lie on the Table for the Consideration of the Members.

And then, The House Adjourned 'till
Eleven O'clock To morrow Morning.

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Die Veneris the 25th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment.

The House Adjourned during pleasure And resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House, Further to Consider the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House for Impowering Commissioners or Surveyors to Lay out, make and repair the Roads Already laid out, and also for Clearing the Rivers and Creeks within their Respective Divisions, And also to Consider the Petition of the Inhabitants of the Parish of S^t Philip respecting a Road to be laid out thro' the said Parish

After some time

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The House was resumed and Mr Graham from the Committee Reported the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill and made several Amendments thereto, which he was directed to report, when the Honorable House will please to receive the Same.

ORDERED That the Report be now made.

And Mr Graham Reported the Amendments made to the said Bill, which being twice read were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED, That the said Bill with the Amendments be read the third time this day Senight.

And then the House Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

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Die Sabbati the 26th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ 28th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 29th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 30th Januarii

The House Met According to Adjournment

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House "Intituled An Act for the Relief of Parishes from such Charges as may Arise from Bastard Children" Was read a Second time.

RESOLVED, That this House will put itself into a Committee on the said Bill To morrow.

Then the House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House for Establishing Several Ferries, and for Vesting the same in the Persons therein Mentioned.

After some time,

The House was resumed, and M^r Powell from the Committee Reported, the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill and made Several Amendments thereto, Which He was directed to report, when the Honorable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED, That the Report be now made,

Then M^r Powell read the Amendments made by the Committee to the said Bill, which being again twice read were Agreed to by the House.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Farley “that the Commons House have passed a Bill Intituled An Act for Regulating the proceedings of the General Court.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House “for regulating the proceedings of the General Court.”

Was read the first time, and Ordered to be Read, a Second time to morrow. .

And then the House Adjourned 'till to
morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 31st Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment,

The order of the day being read, the House Resolved itself into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House “For the Relief of Parishes from such Charges as may Arise from Bastard Children

After some time, the House was resumed And M^r Powell from the Committee of the whole House Reported, the Committee had gone thro' the said bill without making any Alteration therein,

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House for Regulating the Proceedings of the General Court, was read a Second time.

RESOLVED, That this House will resolve itself into a Committee on the said Bill on Monday the 25th Instant

Then the House Resolved itself into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House "For Establishing Several Ferries and for Vesting the same in the Persons therein Mentioned.

After some time,

The House was resumed, and M^r Powell from the Committee reported, the Committee had gone thro' the Bill and made Several Amendments thereto which He was directed by the Committee to report, when the Honorable House will be pleased to receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now made,

Then M^r Powell Reported the Amendments made by the Committee to the said Bill, which being twice ^(sic) were agreed to by the House.

Then the House was Adjourned 'till ten O'Clock to morrow Morning.

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Die Veneris the first Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House for Laying out, Making and Repairing Roads already laid out or

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may hereafter be necessary and also for Clearing the Rivers and Creeks within the Respective Divisions, Was read the Third Time.

And the Question being put "Whether the Bill with the amendments shall pass."

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That the Clerk Return the said Bill to the Commons House, and desire their Concurrence to the Amendments made by this House to the same—

And then the House Adjourned 'till to-morrow Morning Eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 2nd Februarii

The House met and adjourned 'till Monday Morning 11 O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 4th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment.

The Bill for Establishing Several Ferries and for Vesting the same in the Persons therein Mentioned, was read a third time.

And the Question being put, "Whether the Bill with the Amendments shall pass

It was Resolved in the Affirmative

ORDERED That the Clerk return the said Bill to the Commons House and desire their Concurrence to the Amendments made by this House to the same—

And then the House adjourned 'till to-morrow Morning Eleven O'clock—

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 5th Februarii.

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till to-morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 6th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment.

A Message from the Commons House by Sir Patrick Houstoun "that the Commons do agree to the Amendments made by this House to the Bill for Establishing Several Ferries, and for Vesting the same in the Persons therein Mentioned

And then the House adjourned 'till to-morrow Morning Eleven O'clock

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Die Jovis the 7th Februarii.

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning 11 O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 8th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 9th Februarii.

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 11th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 12th Februarii.

The House met According to Adjournment, and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 13th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 14th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 15th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 16th Februarii

The House met According to adjournment, and adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 18th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 19th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 20th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 21st Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Farley
“that the Commons House had taken into Consideration,
the Amendments made to the Ingrossed Bill to Impower
Commissioners or Surveyors to lay out, make and repair
the roads already laid out, or that may hereafter be Nec-
essary and also to Clear the Rivers and Creeks within
their respective divisions, and have agreed to some, but
disagree to others, and therefore desire this House will
appoint a Committee to joyn a Committee of their House
in Conference on the Subject Matter of the said Amend-
ments.

ORDERED That the following Message be sent by the
Clerk to the Commons House of Assembly.

M^r Speaker

In Answer to your Message of this day desiring this
House will appoint a Committee to joyn a Committee of
your House in Conference on the Subject Matter of the
Amendments made by this House to the Ingrossed Bill
from your House, Intituled an Act “to Impower Commis-
sioners or Surveyors to Lay out, make and Repair Roads
already laid out or may hereafter be Necessary and for
Clearing the Rivers and Creeks within their respective di-
visions” This House doth agree thereto, and have ap-
pointed a Committee Accordingly, to meet in the Room
adjoining the Council Chamber at Twelve O’clock of this
day—

Committee, James Edward Powell, Lewis Johnson &
John Graham Esquires

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act for the Relief of Parishes from such Charges as may Arise from Bastard Children" was read the third time.

And the Question being put, "Whether the Bill shall pass,

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That the following Message be sent by the Clerk to the Commons House "That this House have passed the Bill Intituled an Act for the Relief of Parishes from such Charges as may Arise from Bastard Children, without Amendment.

And then the House adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

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Die Veneris the 22nd Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment.

And was dissolved by Proclamation.

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ALEX WYLLY Clk of the House.

Rec^d March 14 1774.

Great Seal taken off by S. B.

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Die Martis the 23^d Aprilis 1771

The House met Agreeable to Order, and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 24th Aprilis

His Excellency the Governor came to this House, and sent a Message by the Clerk, to the Commons House, Acquainting them that they had his leave, and direction, to proceed to the choice of a Speaker

After some time,

A Message was brought to his Excellency from the Commons House, by M^r Crooke and M^r Bullock "That the Commons House Chose Noble Wimberly Jones Esq^r for their Speaker and desired to know when his Excellency would please the House should wait upon him to present their Speaker

His Excellency directed M^r Crooke and M^r Bullock to Acquaint the House "that he did not Approve the choice the House had made of a Speaker, and directed them to proceed to the Choice of some other Person.

A Message was brought to his Excellency from the Commons House, by M^r Crooke and M^r Barnard, "that agreeable to his Excellency's direction the House had proceeded to a new choice of a Speaker and had made Choice of Archibald Bullock Esq^r

His Excellency directed them to Acquaint the House that he approved the Choice the House had now made of a Speaker And that he was ready to receive the House with the Speaker Elect in the Council Chamber Immediately.

Soon After the whole House Attended his Excellency in the Council Chamber and presented M^r Archibald Bullock as their Speaker, who was Approved off—

After which

M^r Speaker Addressed himself to his Excellency in the words following,

May it please your Excellency,

I request in behalf of the Commons House of Assembly, that your Excellency will be pleased to grant them that freedom of Speech, as by right and Custom they ought to have and all their just Rights and Privileges allowed them, and that in anything I may deliver to You in the Name of the House, if I commit any Mistake, it may not be Imputed to the House, for a declaration of their True Intent and Meaning, and that as often as his Majesty's Service or the good of the Province may require I may have free Access to your Excellency.

To which his Excellency Returned the following Answer—

M^r Speaker,

I will grant the Assembly every right and Privilege which they have Usually Enjoy'd and which I conceive they can justly Claim, that is in my power to grant them Consistant with his Majesty's Royal Instructions, And whatever may be delivered in the Name of the House, if there is any mistake in it, You shall have free Liberty to resort to the House and Correct or Amend such mistake, And you shall have free Access to me whenever the Public Business may require it.

And then M^r Speaker with the House withdrew

After some time,

His Excellency sent a Message by the Clerk to the Commons House Requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber Immediately

Soon After,

M^r Speaker with the House Attended, and His Excellency was pleased to make the following Speech to both Houses

Honorable Gentlemen,

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Commons House of Assembly,

I am to Acquaint you that on my Representation with respect to the Election Bill formerly presented to me, and which I then rejected, His Majesty has been Graciously pleased to permit me to Assent to one for the purposes therein Mentioned, Except for Limiting the duration of the Assembly.

I have nothing further to Communicate to you, or any thing to lay before you, than was before the late Assembly Matters so recent, that it would be needless to repeat them again now, and as this is a season of the year which particularly requires the Attendance of the Planters at home, Let me recommend to you to confine your Views, to such things only as are most Essential, and which if entered upon with a Spirit of Unanimity and dispatch may very soon be gone thro', All other Matters which may not appear to be of Immediate Utility I would propose should be postponed till a more leisure time

J. A. WRIGHT

Savannah in Georgia
Council Chamber 24th April 1773

Then his Excellency withdrew.

And the House Resolved Nemine Dissentiente That an Address of thanks be drawn up and presented to his Excellency the Governor for his Affectionate speech to both Houses

ORDERED That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address of thanks to his Excellency the Governor upon the said Resolution; and that M^r Graham, M^r Johnson and M^r Powell be the Committee

ORDERED That his Excellency the Governor's Speech be referred to the said Committee

Then the House was adjourned during Pleasure and the Gentlemen appointed to prepare an Address to his Excellency withdrew for that purpose.

After some time

M^r Johnson from the Committee Appointed to draw up an Address of thanks to his Excellency the Governor for his Affectionate speech to both Houses, Reported the Committee had prepared an Address Accordingly, which he was directed to report when the Honorable House will be pleased to receive the same

ORDERED That the report be now made,

And M^r Johnson read the same in his place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table where the same was again read and Unanimously agreed to by the House

ORDERED That the Address be Ingrossed

ORDERED That M^r Johnson and M^r Graham do wait on his Excellency the Governor, to know when he will be pleased to receive this House with their Address.

M^r Johnson and M^r Graham Accordingly waited upon his Excellency and being returned M^r Johnson reported that his Excellency had been waited upon pursuant to order, to know when he would receive this House with their Address, and that His Excell^y had been pleased to say he would receive the House Immediately.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act for the Relief of Parishes from such Charges as may Arise from Bastard Children" was read the third time.

And the Question being put, "Whether the Bill shall pass,

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That the following Message be sent by the Clerk to the Commons House "That this House have passed the Bill Intituled an Act for the Relief of Parishes from such Charges as may Arise from Bastard Children, without Amendment.

And then the House adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

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The House met Agreeable to Order, and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

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And M^r Speaker with the whole House being come His Excellency was pleased to make the following Speech—

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly.

When I met you I was hopefull that you would have entered upon such Business as appeared most Essential to the Publick Welfare, with a proper disposition and in which case, I conceive it might have been gone thro' in a very short time, But am Sorry to find by the proceedings Entered on your Journal that Instead of paying any Attention to my Recommendation, a Spirit of a very different kind prevails amongst you and that you have been hardy enough not only to call in Question but absolutely to deny his Majesty's undoubted right to Approve or disapprove a Speaker, and which power is particularly delegated to me. I say when I see you have Committed such an Insult and Attack on his Majesty's Authority, it totally puts out of my Power to enter upon Business with you, or suffer you to sit any Longer. And however unwilling you may pretend to be, to delay the necessary Business of the Province, Yet I doubt not but all discerning and unprejudiced Men will Clearly see, that the obstruction to public Business proceeds from your Conduct, and not mine.

And I do by and with the Unanimous Opinion and Advice of His Majestys Honorable Council Dissolve this Assembly, and the same is hereby Dissolved.

JA. WRIGHT

Savannah,
Council Chamber the
26th April 1771.

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GEORGIA,

A true Copy of the Journal of Proceedings of the Upper House of Assembly, beginning on Tuesday the twenty first day of April 1772 and ending the twenty fifth day of the Same Month—

ALEX WYLLY Cl^k of the House.

Rec^d March 14, 1774.

Great Seal taken off by S. B.

GEORGIA,

Journal of the Upper House Convened in General Assembly on Tuesday 21st April 1772

Being the first Session of the Eighth General Assembly in and for the Province of Georgia Appointed to meet at Savannah.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 21st Aprilis 1772.

His Honor the President came to this House and sent a Message by the Clerk Acquainting them that they had

his Leave and direction to proceed to the Choice of a Speaker.

After some time,

A Message was brought to his Honor from the Commons House by M^r William Young and M^r LeConte "That the Commons House had made Choice of Noble Wimberly Jones Esq^r their Speaker, and desired to know when his Honor would please the House should wait upon Him to present their Speaker" To which his Honor was pleased to direct them "to acquaint the House that He would be in the Council Chamber at five O'clock in the Afternoon and would then give them an Answer.

Then his Honor withdrew, and the House was adjourned 'till five O'clock in the Afternoon

The House met According to Adjournment

His Honor the President came to this House, And sent a Message By the Clerk to the Commons House Acquainting them "That He is now ready to receive any of the Gentlemen the House think proper to Appoint, to give them his Answer respecting the Choice the House have made of a Speaker.

After some time,

M^r Barnard and M^r Bullock Attended his Honor, when he was pleased to direct them to Acquaint the House "That He had it in Express Command from his Majesty to put a Negative the Speaker which he Accordingly does do; And that he directs the House will proceed to the Choice of another Speaker—

M^r Barnard and M^r Bullock then Withdrew

After some time,

A Message was brought to his Honor from the Commons House by M^r Bullock and M^r Farley, Acquainting his Honor "that the House had proceeded a Second time to the Choice of a Speaker, And had rechosen Noble Wimberly Jones Esq^r for their Speaker, in Answer to which, His Honor was pleased to direct them to Acquaint the House "that he had no personal Objection to the Gentleman chosen, But that he had it in Express Command from His Majesty, to disapprove of Him; And that he again rejected him.

M^r Bullock and M^r Farley then Withdrew.

His Honor sent a Message by the Clerk to the Commons House "That the House had his Honors Permission to proceed to the Choice of Another Speaker.

Then his Honor Withdrew,

And the House was adjourned till to
morrow Morning 11 O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 22nd Aprilis

The House met According to Adjournment

His Honor the President came to this House

A Message was brought to his Honor by M^r Le Conte & M^r Farley "that the Commons House had proceeded to another Choice of a Speaker, and desire to know when

His Honor will be pleased the House shall Attend his Honor to present him

To which his Honor was pleased to Answer "That He was ready to receive the House in the Council Chamber Immediately.

Soon after,

The Members of the Commons House Attended his Honor in the Council Chamber, and presented Archibald Bullock Esq^r as their Speaker, for his Honors Approbation, Which Choice his Honor Approved, And M^r Speaker Addressed himself to his Honor in the words following

May it please your Honor

I request in behalf of the Commons House of Assembly that your Honor will be pleased to grant that they may have freedom of Speech, as by right and Custom they used to have, and all their Just rights and Priviledges Allowed them and that in any thing I may deliver to you in the Name of the House if I commit any Error it may not be Imputed to the House, for a declaration of their true Intent and meaning, but that I may have leave to resort to the House and rectifie such Error or Mistake And that, As often as his Majestys Service, or the good of the Province may require, I may by direction of the House have free Access to your Honor.

To which his Honor Returned the following Answer—

M^r Speaker,

I will grant the Assembly every right and Privilege which they have Usually enjoyed, and which I conceive they can Justly Claim, and that is in my power to grant them consistent with his Majesty's Royal Instructions—

And whatever may be delivered in the Name of the House if there is any Mistake, you shall have free liberty to resort to the House and Correct or amend such mistake— And you shall have free Access to me whenever the publick Business may require it.

And then M^r Speaker with the House withdrew.

After some time,

His Honor sent a Message by the Clerk to the Commons House “requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber Immediately

Soon after

M^r Speaker with House Attending, His Honor was pleased to make a Speech to Both Houses in the words following, Viz^t

Honorable Gentlemen,

M^r Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Assembly;

His Majesty having been pleased to grant his Excellency Governor Wright, his leave of absence to go to Great Britain, the Government of this Province on his Excellency's departure devolved upon me. I am very sensible of the high and Important Trust Committed to me, which calls for the utmost Exertion of my best Abilities to discharge, so as to Approve myself to our most Gracious Sovereign, by promoting the true Interest and prosperity of his good Subjects of this Province; to Effect which you may depend on my most Sincere and unwearied Endeavours. My long residence in this Province, and the strong Attachment I must have for its welfare, from Motives obvious to you, must make it Extremely grateful to me to be in the least Instrumental in furthering its growing prosperity, in which I am perswaded I shall have the

Candid Advice and Assistance of you Gentlemen, and of every Friend of his Country.

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly.

In a letter I have received from the Earl of Hillsborough, one of his Majestys Principal Secretaries of State, respecting the Conduct of the Assembly in February 1771, particularly in Imprisoning the deputy Secretary, for declining^(sic) to be Examined by a Committee of that Assembly upon Oath, and that of an unusual Nature, I am commanded to Signify to you his Majestys disapprobation of the measures pursued by that Assembly, And his firm Resolution not to suffer the continuance of any Assembly, that shall adopt such Unjustifiable Claims, and presume to Arrogate powers so dangerous to the liberty of the Subject. And in another Letter which I have lately received from his Lordship, in respect to the proceedings of the Late Assembly, I have it also in Command from the King, to Signify to you his Majesty's disapprobation of their Conduct, in regard to the Unwarrantable and unconstitutional doctrines and principles held forth in their Resolutions relative to the Governor's right of Negativing a Speaker, And his Majesty's Resolution to Resit^(sic) with firmness every Attempt to Violate the Constitution; that his Majesty is however, graciously disposed to believe that such Doctrines are not the Sense of the People in General, but that they have been taken up in a Moment of Inconsiderate heat, as they do not correspond with those sentiments of Loyalty and duty so repeatedly expressed by his Majesty's Faithfull Subjects in Georgia.

Gentlemen,

As I know it is inconvenient for many of you to be absent from your private Business at this Season of the year, I wish to make this Session as short and as little burthensome to you as possible, and therefore I shall only

recommend to your Consideration some few Matters which you may Easily dispatch, and such other things as are not immediately necessary may be defer'd to a future meeting.

There are several useful Laws that are near Expiring, & will expire with the present Session, which are proper to be Continued, and at more convenient time, if any alteration and Amendments are found Necessary, you can more maturely take them under consideration, And particularly I recommend to your Attention the Continuation of the "Act for Raising a Certain Number of Watchmen for preserving good Order in and about Savannah" The Utility of this Law is so apparent that I need not point out the Necessity of giving it a further Existence. I have the pleasure to Acquaint you, that in Consequence of the Satisfaction demanded of the Creek Indians, They have put to death, the Indian who murdered John Carey, one of the Inhabitants of Queensborough, the beginning of December last, in Presence of several of the Traders; an event that is highly satisfactory, as it strongly indicates their Friendly disposition and desire to maintain the peace which at present subsists between the English and them. If any Occurrences should Arise during your present meeting, that may appear to be worthy of your Immediate Consideration I shall communicate them to you by Message

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly,

I have ordered the State of the Publick debts to be laid before you, and I can make no doubt of your taking the Most Effectual and least burthensome Method of discharging them, As the Maintenance of the Public Faith and Credit is of the greatest Consequence to the honor and welfare of the Province—Suffer me Gentlemen to per-

swade you to pursue peace and harmony, and carefully to avoid all Unnecessary Alterations, which can only tend to delay Business, and destroy that Candor, Unanimity and Confidence, so necessary to promote the general good, for which end you meet in General Assembly, And you may depend on my hearty Concurrence in every measure that may conduce to the Service of his Majesty and the Province, which are Inseperable.

JAMES HABERSHAM

Council Chamber,
Savannah in Georgia }
22nd April 1772

Then M^r Speaker with the Commons House withdrew

After some time,

His Honor also Withdrew; And the Honorable Noble
(^{ad}) Esq^r having taken the Chair, Reported to the House
“That his Honor the President had made an Affectionate
Speech to both Houses, of which to avoid Mistakes, he
had procured a Copy.

ORDERED That His Honors Speech be now read.

And the same being read by the Clerk

RESOLVED Nemine Dissentiente, That an Address of
thanks be drawn up and Presented to his Honor, for his
Affectionate Speech to both Houses.

ORDERED That a Committee be appointed to draw up
an Address of thanks to his Honor for his Affectionate
Speech to both Houses, Agreeable to the forgoing Resolu-
tion, And that M^r Powell, M^r Johnson and M^r Elliott be a
Committee to prepare the said Address

ORDERED That his Honor's Speech be referred to the said Committee

And then the House was Adjourned till
to morrow Morning 11 O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 23^d Aprilis.

The House met According to Adjournment

M^r Powell from the Committee appointed to prepare an address to his Honor the President Reported the Committee had drawn up an Address Accordingly, which the Committee were ready to report when the Honorable House will please to receive the same

ORDERED That the Report be now made,

Then M^r Powell read the same in his place and afterwards delivered the Address in at the Table, where the same being twice read was agreed to by the House

ORDERED That the Address be Ingrossed.

And the Ingrossed Address Being read,

ORDERED That the Address be entered in the Journal,
To the Honorable James Habersham Esquire, President, and Commander in Chief of his Majestys Province of Georgia, Vice Admiral and Chancellor of the same.

The Address of the Upper House of Assembly,

May it Please your Honor,

We his Majesty's most dutifull and Loyal Subjects, the

Council of Georgia, in General Assembly met, beg leave to thank your Honor, for your Speech delivered to both Houses of Assembly, and to express our Satisfaction that the Government of this Province has, in the absence of Governor Wright, devolved on a Gentleman of your Honors well known Character, and Attachment to the real welfare of Georgia, from whence we entertain the firmest dependence, that to promote its growing prosperity will be the favorite object of your Administration, and you may be assured that we shall most readily and Chearfully Concur with your Honor in every measure that may Contribute to so desirable an End,

We shall proceed with all the dispatch possible to take under consideration such Matters as may appear to be most Immediately Necessary for the publick good, in particular the Continuation of such Laws as are near Expiring.

It is with the greatest pleasure we learn that, in Consequence of the Satisfaction demanded, the Creeks have put to death one of their People who Murdered the Inhabitant at Queensborough, This Unexpected and unhoped for Event, we Congratulate your Honor upon as it clearly proves the sincere disposition of that Nation to Maintain a peaceable and Friendly Correspondence with us.

We can Assure your Honor, that we shall, on every Occasion endeavour to maintain and support the publick Faith, and that our proceedings shall be Conducted, with that Candour, Harmony, and Unanimity, which must render the Task easy to us, and we hope be of real Utility to his Majestys Service, and the true Interest of this Province which, as your Honor Justly observes, are Inscperable; and in these Sentiments we are hopefull every Branch of the Legislature will Agree, which will be the

best and most Effectual Means of making us a Flourishing and happy People.

By order of the House

N: JONES

Council Chamber }
Savannah 23^d April 1772 }

ORDERED That M^r Speaker sign the said Address

ORDERED That M^r Powell and M^r Johnson wait upon his Honor the President and Acquaint him "that this House have an Address to present to his Honor & desire to know when he will be pleased the House shall Attend him, therewith.

M^r Powell and M^r Powell ^(sic) Accordingly withdrew to Attend his Honor, & being returned, M^r Powell Reported

That his Honor had been waited upon According to order," to know when he would be pleased to receive the House with their Address & that he had been pleased to say Immediately

Then the House was adjourned during pleasure to wait upon His Honor the President to present their Address.

And after some time, being returned, M^r Speaker reported, That He with the House had Attended his Honor and presented their Address, to which his Honor had returned the following Answer, Viz^t

Honorable Gentlemen,

I return you my most Sincere and hearty thanks for this very kind Address, and, from my long knowledge of, and Connexion with you, I am fully convinced of your readiness to promote the Publick Business, and real Welfare of this Province, and I think myself very happy in the As-

surance you give me that I shall have your Candid Advice and Assistance to enable me to discharge the Arduous trust which is reposed in me

JAMES HABERSHAM

Savannah 23^d April 1772

And then the House was adjourned till
to morrow 11 O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 24th Aprilis

The House met According to Adjournment and adjourned till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 25th Aprilis

The House met According to Adjournment and adjourned till five O'clock After noon.

The House met According to Adjournment.

His Honor the President came to this House and sent a Message by the Clerk, of the Council, to the Commons House, in the words following—

M^r Speaker

His Honor the president desires the Attendance of this House in the Council Chamber Immediately

After some time

M^r Spaker ^(sic) with the House Attended, And his Honor made the following Speech Viz^t

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Assembly,

When we met in Assembly I was truly disposed to enter upon the Publick Business in such a manner as to promote and facilitate, as much as in me lay, such matters as were immediately necessary for the welfare of the Province, in which I hoped to be candidly assisted by every branch of the Legislature;

As a proof of this on my part, I did in a few hours after I was made Acquainted with your choice of a Speaker, and before I had returned an answer to your Message on that head, communicate to most of the Members of your House his Majesty's Instructions to me to put a Negative on such Person as should be chosen Speaker by you, and after giving you some time to Consider, I then Acted in obedience thereto, and directed you to proceed to the choice of some other Person Notwithstanding which, you a second time chose the same Gentleman, and altho' I then ought to have proceeded to a dissolution of the Assembly, yet out of Tenderness to the Province, and that the consequence of my taking such a Step might be avoided, I ventured to put a second Negative upon him, and gave you directions once more to proceed to the choice of some other Person as your Speaker your next message Acquainted me that you had proceeded to a Choice, and upon your presenting Archibald Bulloch Esq^r your present Speaker, I approv^d of him; But on finding on your Journal, that previous to your choice of Archibald Bulloch Esq^r you had a third time chosen Noble Wimberly Jones Esq^r your Speaker, and that only in Consequence of his declining, you had made ^(sic) made your present Choice, still Anxious for the publick good, and wishing to

remove every obstacle that might Impede our Acting together with that Candour and harmony that I hoped would subsist between us, I communicated to your Speaker two days ago my Exceptions to the Minute entered on your Journals respecting your third choice of M^r Jones, and that I could not possibly proceed to business while it was Suffered to remain.

After so much time to deliberate on this head, I was in hopes not to have been under the Necessity of sending you a Message this Morning, which I did that you might not plead you were Unacquainted in a publick Manner with my objections, and that you would by a ready acquiescence in what my duty obliged me to require of you, have enabled me to have Concurr'd with you in Carrying on the Publick business; in this I am sorry I have been Mistaken, and that the Address you have presented me in Answer to my Message by no means clears up the point in Question, and obliges me, in pursuance of his Majesty's Commands to proceed to a dissolution of this Assembly.

From this Clear and plain State of the Fact as it stands between us, I think I may with great propriety submit it to the Judgment of all good and unprejudiced Men, whether the Inevitable bad Consequences to this Province, which I am certain will Attend the Step I must take, is the Effect of my Conduct or yours.

I do therefore pursuant to his Majestys Commands, dissolve this General Assembly, And the same is Accordingly Dissolved

JAMES HABERSHAM

Council Chamber 25th April 1772.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

GEORGIA,

A true Copy of the Journal of Proceedings of the Upper House of Assembly beginning Wednesday the Ninth day of December 1772 and ending on Wednesday the twenty ninth day of September 1773

ALEX WYLLY Cl^k of the House

Rec^d March 14. 1774.

Great Seal taken off by S. B.

GEORGIA,

Journal of the Upper House Convened in General Assembly on Wednesday the 9th December 1772 Being the first Session of the Eighth General Assembly in and for the Province of Georgia appointed to meet at Savannah.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 9th Decembris 1772

His Honor the President came to this House, and sent a Message by the Clerk to the Members of the Commons

House, Acquainting them, that they had his leave and direction to proceed to the Choice of a Speaker,

M^r President then Withdrew,

And the House adjourned 'till Eleven
O'clock to morrow Morn^e

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 10th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment

His Honor the President came to this House and Acquainted the House that, He had been waited upon by John Simpson and Thomas Young Esquires Members of the Commons House Acquainting him, "that the Commons House had chose William Young Esquire their Speaker, and desired to know when his Honor would please the House should wait upon him to present their Speaker? In Answer to which his Honor had directed them to acquaint the House, that he would be in the Council Chamber at four O'clock to receive the House with their Speaker.

His Honor then sent a Message by the Clerk to the Commons House ^(sic) them, that he was now ready to receive the House with their Speaker in the Council Chamber—

Soon after

The whole House attended his Honor in the Council Chamber and presented William Young Esquire as their Speaker who his Honor was pleased to approve.

After which M^r Speaker addressed himself to his Honor in the words following,

May it Please your Honor,

I request in behalf of the Commons House of Assembly, that your Honor will be pleased to grant that they may have freedom of Speech as by right and Custom they used to have, and all their just Rights and Privileges allowed them, and that in anything I may deliver to you, in the Name of the House, If I commit any mistake, it may not be imputed to the House for a declaration of their true intent and meaning, but that I may have leave to resort to the House and rectifie such mistake, And that, as often as his Majesty's Service or the good of the Province may require, I may by direction of the House, have free Access to your Honor.

To which, His Honor returned the following Answer.

M^r Speaker,

I will grant the Assembly every right and Privilege which they have Usually enjoyed, and which I conceive they can Justly claim, and that is in my power to grant them consistent with his Majestys Royal Instructions.

And whatever may be delivered in the Name of the House, if there is any mistake you shall have free Liberty to resort to the House, and correct or Amend such Mistake,

And you shall have free Access to me whenever the Publick business may require it.

And then M^r Speaker with the House withdrew

After some time

His Honor, sent a Message to the Commons House, by

the Clerk, requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber Immediately, Soon after, M^r Speaker with the House Attended, And his Honor made a Speech to Both Houses in the words following Viz^t

Honorable Gentlemen,

M^r Speaker, and Gentlemen of the Assembly,

I have nothing in particular in Command from his Majesty to lay before you, but as there are several Matters which I apprehend to be of great Importance to the Welfare of this Province, that will require your most Serious Attention, and Consideration, I have taken this opportunity to meet you in General Assembly, not doubting, but you will proceed upon the Publick Business with that Calm deliberation and Temper ^(sic) that alone can bring it to a happy Issue.

It is with Inexpressible Satisfaction I see this Colony making so rapid a progress to Wealth and Importance, and I can with the strictest truth declare, that I have from the most disinterested Views, Exerted my utmost endeavours and Abilities to promote the Tranquility and happiness of the Inhabitants, and that I meet you with a Heart sincerely disposed to concur with you in every measure that may appear conducive to that purpose; therefore I flatter myself that you meet me with the same disposition, Free from distrust or Jealousy, and Equally zealous to promote the Publick Welfare by Establishing Mutual Confidence and good order.

By Accounts I have received from the Treasurer, it appears that the Tax Collected for some years past, has fallen much short of the Grants made in those Respective years, by reason whereof, there is a Considerable deficiency, it therefore appears to be highly Expedient, that we should Examine into the state of our Publick Ac-

counts and Finances, And I must recommend it to you in the strongest Manner to Enter upon this Inquiry without Delay, And as there are Publick Certificates of different denominations in Circulation which ought to be called in and destroyed, I must also recommend that Matter to your Consideration, and for that End I shall order the Treasurer to furnish you with a full State of the Publick Accounts and outstanding Certificates of every kind, and you may depend on every Assistance in my Power to Facilitate your bringing this very Important, (Altho' hitherto neglected) Business to a happy Period.

I am Informed that the Taxes have not been duly Collected in some parts of this Province, and if it should appear ^(sic) so, you will doubtless fall on some Method to enforce a more punctual and Equal Collection of them, that your good Intention may not for the future be Frustrated,

You cannot be unacquainted with the present Ruinous State of the Goal, and the frequent Escapes of many Notorious Criminals and that, notwithstanding the Number of Committments few have been brought to Justice, And I am really Concerned to think, that all Criminal Justice must cease, unless, a place of Security is Provided.

Fort George at Cockspurr is now also in Total ruin, Altho' so Necessary for the Protection of this Port and Shipping, and Especially to Enforce many of our Laws, These Matters you will doubtless take into your most Serious Consideration to provide for and remedy.

I need not mention the Necessity of Continuing many of Our Laws which are near Expiring, And what other Matters may appear to me to be worthy of your Consideration, I shall Acquaint you with by Message.

Gentlemen of the Assembly,

I shall order the Usual Estimate, and such Accounts as

may be delivered to the Treasurer to be laid before you, which I cannot doubt but you will provide for.

And Gentlemen as you are called together for no other purpose but to deliberate on the best Methods of promoting the Publick Good, I hope you will not Suffer your Attention to be drawn off from that object, And I again repeat, that you may depend on my ready Concurrence in every Measure that can conduce thereto.

JAMES HABERSHAM

Savannah in Georgia, Council Chamber }
the 10th December 1772. }

Then M^r Speaker with the Commons House withdrew

After some time

His Honor also withdrew. And the Honorable Noble Jones Esquire having taken the Chair, Reported to the House that His Honor the President had made an Affectionate Speech to both Houses of Assembly, of which to avoid Mistakes, He had procured a Copy.

ORDERED That His Honor's Speech be now read,

And the same being read by the Clerk.

RESOLVED Nemine Dissentiente That a Committee of thanks be drawn up and presented to his Honor, for his Affectionate Speech to both Houses.

ORDERED That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address of thanks to his Honor for his Affectionate Speech to both Houses.

ORDERED That a Committee be Appointed to prepare an Address to his Honor agreeable to the aforesaid Reso-

lution, And that M^r Stokes, M^r Powell and M^r Hume be the Committee

ORDERED That his Honors Speech be referr'd to the said Committee

And then the House Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 11th Decembris

The House met according to Adjournment.

M^r Hume from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address to his Honor the President Reported, the Committee had prepared an Address Accordingly, which the Committee had directed him to Report, when the House will please receive the same.

ORDERED That the report be now made,

Then M^r Hume Read the same in his place, and afterwards delivered it in at the Table, where the Address being again twice read was agreed to by the House

ORDERED That the Address be Ingrossed,

The Ingrossed Address to his Honor the President being read.

ORDERED That the same be entered on the Journal,

To his Honor James Habersham Esquire, President and Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Province of Georgia,

The Humble Address of the Upper House of Assembly,

May it please your Honor,

We his Majesty's most dutiful and Loyal Subjects the Council of Georgia in General Assembly met, thank your Honor for your Affectionate Speech delivered to both Houses of Assembly and beg leave to Assure you that we will proceed on the Publick Business with that calm deliberation and Temper which your Honor is pleased to recommend^d and, which at this Juncture is so Indispensibly necessary for the service of the Province.

We also joyn your Honor in Expressing our Satisfaction at the rapid Progress this Province is making in Cultivation and Commerce, And shall always be ready to Concurr in every measure productive of the Honor of the Crown and welfare of this Colony, which objects it appears to us your Honor has always had at heart.

We are well Acquainted with the ruinous State of the Goal, and the Fort at Cockspurr, and the necessity there is of Enabling the Magistrates and other proper Officers to carry the Laws in General into Execution which for want of a Publick Goal is greatly Impeded and the Commanding Officer at Cockspurr for want of a proper Fortification is in a great measure disabled from Enforceing a due obedience to those in particular which Immediately fall within his department.

We shall with great Alacrity Concurr with the Commons House of Assembly in every Measure that may tend to bring this Session to a Happy Issue, and have no doubt but the other Branches will readily joyn us in such Laudable purposes.

ORDERED That M^r Speaker sign the said Address.

ORDERED That M^r Powell and M^r Hume do wait upon his Honor to know when he will please to be Attended by this House with their Address.

M^r Powell and M^r Hume Accordingly waited upon His Honor Agreeable to Order—

And being returned,

M^r Powell reported to the House that his Honor had been waited upon pursuant to order, to know when he would be Attended by this House with their Address, And that His Honor had been pleased to say “in half an Hour”

After some time,

The House was adjourned during pleasure to Attend his Honor with their Address, and being returned, the House was resumed, and M^r Speaker Reported, that the House had Attended his Honor the President, and presented their Address to which his Honor had been pleased to return the following Answer.

Honorable Gentlemen

I return you my most sincere thanks for this Address, and I am Perswaded of your good Intentions to co-operate with me in promoting his Majesty's Service, and true Interest and welfare of this Province

JAMES HABERSHAM

Savannah in Georgia }
the 11th December 1772 }

Then the House was Adjourned 'till to
morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 12th Decembris

The House met According to adjournment and adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 14th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment, and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 15th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 16th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 17th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 18th Decembris

The House met According to Adjournment,

Mr Speaker Informed the House that He had a Message from his Honor the President, signed by his Honor, which he was directed to lay before this House, and he delivered it in at the Table where the same was read, and is as follows viz^t

Honorable Gentlemen

I do hereby Adjourn the Upper House of Assembly untill Monday the Eighteenth day of January next, then to meet for the dispatch of Business, and it is Accordingly adjourned to the said eighteenth day of January next.

JAMES HABERSHAM

Given under my hand at Savannah }
the 18th Day of December 1772 }

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 18th Januarii 1773

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 19th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment

M^r Mullryne having Informed the House "That the Light House on Tybee Island is now Compleatly finished, and that he is desirous, that a Committee of this House should be appointed to View the same.

RESOLVED, That M^r Stokes, M^r Jones and M^r Yonge, be a Committee to View and Examine the New Light House on Tybee Island and that they report their opinion of the same as soon as may be.

And then the House was adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 20th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and adjourned till to morrow Morning 11 o'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 21st Januarii

The House met According to adjournment, and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 22nd Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 23^d Januarii

The House met according to Adjournment, and adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 25th Januarii

The House met according to adjournment, and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 26th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 27th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 28th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 29th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 30th Januarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 1st Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Le Conte "that the Commons House had passed an Ordinance for reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain" to which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Thomas Young that the Commons House had passed a Bill "Intituled an Act to prevent the Mischiefs arising from the practice of hunting with Fire and killing Deer by Night" to which they desire the Concurrence of this House

The Ordinance from the Commons House for reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain, was twice read,

ORDERED, That the said Ordinance be Committed to a Committee of the whole House.

JOURNAL OF UPPER HOUSE.

RESOLVED That this House will resolve itself into a Committee of the whole House on the said Ordinance to morrow

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled an Act to prevent the Mischiefs Arising from the practice of hunting with Fire and Killing Deer by Night, was read the first time— And it was

ORDERED That the said Bill be read a second time to morrow

And then

The House Adjourned 'till to morrow
Morn^g Eleven Oclock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 2nd Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment.

The Order of the day being read,

The House was Adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee on the Ordinance from the Commons House for reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain,

After some time,

The House was resumed, and M^r Yonge Reported the Committee had gone thro the Ordinance, and made an Amendment thereto which he was directed by the Committee to report, when the Honorable House will please receive the same

ORDERED, That the Report be now made,

And M^r Yonge read the Amendment in his place and afterwards delivered the same in at the table where the Amendment being twice read was agreed to by the House

ORDERED, That the Ordinance from the Commons House reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Solicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain, with the Amendment made thereto by this House be now read the third time

And the same being read the third time

And the Question put,

“Whether the Ordinance with the Amendment made thereto do pass

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That a Message be sent by the Clerk to the Commons House “to return the said Ordinance, and Acquaint them that this House doth Agree to the Ordinance for reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Solicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain,” with an Amendment, to which they desire their Concurrence.

A Memorial of John Mullryne Esq^r directed to his Honor the President, the Members of his Majestys Honorable Council and to the Speaker and Members of the Commons House of Assembly, was received and read in the words following Viz^t

That the Memorialist had the Misfortune to have his House in the Parish of Christ Church, with the greatest part of his Furniture and Effects destroyed by fire in the Night of the Eighth day of January 1771, That a very little time before the said Accident happened your Me-

morialist had received a Considerable sum of Money in the Bills of Credit of this Province, some part of which he had paid away, but to the best of his recollection and Belief there was remaining in his desk, which was totally consumed, the sum of Sixty pounds or more, in the said Bills: That as the said Bills of Credit were Issued by the Publick for a Valuable Consideration, the publick must of course be gainers by your Memorialists loss, Unless the Legislature shall think it Equitable to relieve him in the premises in the same Manner as was done in a Case of the like Nature some Years ago. Your Memorialist therefore hopes that the same may be taken under Consideration and that Leave may be given to bring in a Bill to empower the Commissioners of the General Loan Office to Issue Bills of Credit to the Amount of Sixty pounds to be paid to your Memorialist in lieu of and to replace the like sum lost by the Accident of Fire aforesaid, & your Petitioner as in duty Bound shall ever pray &c

ORDERED That the Clerk do carry the said Memorial to the Commons House of Assembly for their Consideration.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House "to prevent the Mischiefs Arising from the Practice of Hunting with Fire and killing deer by Night was read a Second time.

ORDERED That the said Bill be Committed to Morrow

And then, the House Adjourned till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 3^d Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment

The House was adjourned during pleasure and resolved itself into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act “to prevent the Mischiefs arising from the Practice of hunting with Fire and killing deer at Night”

After some time

M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House, Reported, That the Committee had gone thro’ the said Bill and made some Amendments thereto, which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please receive the same.

ORDERED That the report be now made,

And M^r Elliott reported the Amendments in his place and delivered the Bill with the Amendments in at the Table where the Amendments being twice read were agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the said Bill with the Amendments be read the third time on Friday next.

And then the House was adjourned ’till to morrow Morning Eleven O’clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 4th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 5th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act "to prevent the Mischiefs Arising from the practice of hunting with Fire and killing Deer by Night," was read a third time with the Amendments.

And the Question being put,

"Whether this Bill with the Amendments shall pass

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

And then the House was Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

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Die Sabbati the 6th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 8th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment,

ORDERED That a Message be sent to the Commons House by the Clerk to return them the Ordinance for Re-appointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this province in Great Britain, And also the Bill, Intituled An Act, “to prevent the Mischiefs Arising from the Practice of hunting with fire and killing Deer by Night” And to Acquaint them that this House have passed the said Ordinance with an Amendment and also the said Bill with Amendments, to all which this House desire their Concurrence.

And then, the House was adjourned ’till
to morrow Morning Eleven O’clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 9th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment.

The House being Informed by his Honor the President, That his Excellency Sir James Wright Baronet was Arrived at Charles town from England, And that he expected his Excellency would be at Purisbourgh on his way to this place on Thursday next.

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RESOLVED That a Committee be appointed to wait upon his Excellency at Purisbourgh and Attend him to Savannah.

ORDERED, That M^r Powell, M^r Graham and M^r Stokes be the Committee to wait upon his Excell^y Agreeable to the above Resolution.

And then, the House was Adjourned
till to morrow Morning Eleven O clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 10th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 11th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 12th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 13th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned till Monday Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 15th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment.

RESOLVED That this House will present an Address to his Excellency Sir James Wright Baronet Expressing the Unfeigned satisfaction they Enjoy at the distinguishing Mark he has received of his Majestys Royal Favour, And for his Excellencys return to this his Government

ORDERED That M^r ^(sic) be a Committee to prepare an Address to his Excellency the Governor Agreeable to the foregoing resolution.

Then the House was Adjourned during pleasure and the Committee Appointed to prepare an Address to his Excellency withdrew for that purpose.

After some time the House was resumed,

And M^r ^(sic) from the Committee Appointed to prepare an Address to his Excellency, Reported, "the Committee had prepared an Address According to Order, which the Committee had directed him to report, when the Honorable House will please to receive the same.

ORDERED That the report be now made

Then Mr ^(sic) read the Address in his place and afterwards delivered the same in at the Table where the same being twice read was agreed to by the whole House.

ORDERED That the Address be Ingrossed.

After some time,

The Ingrossed Address to His Excellency being read

ORDERED, That the Address to his Excellency be Entered on the Journals

To His Excellency Sir James Wright Baronet Captain General, and Governor in Chief of His Majestys Province of Georgia, Chancellor, and Vice Admiral of the Same.

The Humble Address of the Upper House of Assembly

May it Please your Excellency,

We the Members of his Majesty's Council in General Assembly met, Beg leave to Congratulate Your Excellency on your safe return to your Government; and to Express to you our Unfeigned Satisfaction at the distinguishing Mark you have received of his Majesty's Royal Favour, which are the most Indubitable proofs of the Propriety of your Excellency's Conduct, during your Administration in this Province, both as a Faithfull Servant of the Crown, and a Sincere Friend to the true Interests of the People, To which we can bear the Strongest Testimony.

We therefore beg leave both as a Council, and as Individuals, to present to your Excellency this particular Testimony of, *Our Esteem and regard for You.*

(Signed) JAMES HABERSHAM Presid^t
 NOBLE JONES
 JAMES MACKAY
 JAMES EDWARD POWELL
 GREY ELLIOTT
 CLEMENT MARTIN JUN^r
 LEWIS JOHNSON
 JOHN GRAHAM
 HENRY YONGE
 ANTHONY STOKES
 JAMES HUME

Council Chamber
 Savannah in Georgia
 the 15th February 1773 }

The above Gentlemen Waited upon his Excellency the Governor to present him their Address, And being returned, M^r President Reported,

That the House had waited upon his Excell^y the Governor and presented their Address, to which His Excellency had been pleased to deliver the following Answer, Viz^t

Honorable Gentlemen,

Be pleased to Accept my best thanks for your very kind Congratulations on my safe return to this Province, and the Honorable Testimony You are pleased to bear of my past Conduct and Administration here.

I ever meant to discharge my duty as a Faithful Servant of the Crown, and can with the greatest truth declare I also meant at the same time, to promote to the utmost

of my power and Abilities the true Interest of the People,
and which I shall always continue to have in View.

JA: WRIGHT

Savannah in Georgia }
the 15th February 1773 }

After Some time,

A Message was brought from his Excellency, and read
in the words following viz^t

“I do hereby Adjourn the Upper House of Assembly,
to tuesday the twenty third day of this Instant February,
and the said House is hereby Adjourned Accordingly,
Untill the said Twenty third day of February, then to
meet for the dispatch of Business

Given Under my hand at Savannah the 15th
day of February 1773

JA: WRIGHT

To the Honorable the }
President and the Members }
of His Majestys Hon^{ble} Council }

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 23^d Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and ad-
journd 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 24th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 25th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 26th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment, and Adjourn'd 'till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 27th Februarii

The House met According to Adjournment And Adjourned 'till Monday Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 1st Martii

The House met According to Adjournment

His Excellency the Governor, came to this House, And sent a Message by the Clerk to the Commons House of Assembly, requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber Immediately.

Soon After.

M^r Speaker with the House Attended, And ^(sic) his Excell^y in the Council Chamber, And his Excellency was pleased to make a Speech to both Houses of Assembly.

Honourable Gentlemen,

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Commons House of Assembly

It is with great Pleasure that I now meet you in General Assembly, as I have the Satisfaction to Acquaint you that our most Gracious Sovereign has been pleased to Approve of the report made by the right Honorable the Lords Commissioners for Trade and Plantations, in favour of a Memorial given in by me relative to the State of this Province, and for obtaining an Extension of our Indian Boundary line, and which Mark of Royal favour I perswade myself cannot fail to Increase your Gratitude and Affection to his Majesty.

This Gentlemen is a Matter I have long had in View (tho different somewhat from the footing it is now obtained upon) and which on my departure for Great Britain, I was from all Parts of this Province Earnestly

requested to Solicit, and it is that which alone can, and if properly carried into Execution must in a few years, Give that Degree of Strength, Security, and Opulence to this Province, which in my Opinion it could scarce otherwise ever Attain to, For by the Present Boundary line, we are so much Confined, that there is not ungranted Lands for any additional Number of Inhabitants of any Consequence.

And it is to Endeavour to Execute his Majesty's most Gracious Intentions towards the good People here, which (only) has brought me amongst You once more,

Cap^t Stuart the Superintendant and I, have agreed to hold a Congress with the Creek and Cherokee Indians at Augusta in May next, when I hope we shall be able to obtain from those People joyntly a Cession to his Majesty of the Lands in View, after which I shall to the best of my Judgment, and with all possible dispatch, Proceed on the plan for bringing into this Province a Number of good People to settle thereon.

And Gentlemen in order to give the greatest Encouragement to Persons to Come and Purchase those Lands, I must recommend it to your Consideration, whether Exempting such as shall really make settlements and reside thereon (and to no others will they be disposed of and granted) from attending at Savannah on Jury's and such other duties as may be dispensed with for a limited time, and also Easing their Land Tax may have a desirable and good Effect.

Gentlemen, the Several Matters laid before you, and recommended by his Honour the President, I approve of, and as they will require your Attention for some time, and the Planting Season will soon draw near, I shall not now Trouble you with any thing further, but

to recommend to you Unanimity and dispatch, and to Assure you that I shall always be ready to Assist and Concurr with you in every proper Measure to promote the prosperity of this Province.

Gentlemen of the Assembly,

I find you have not yet received the Estimate, this I shall settle as soon as possible and send down to you, and doubt not but that you will provide for the same in such way as may be least burthensome to your Constituents.

JA: WRIGHT

Savannah in Georgia }
 Council Chamber }
 the 1st March 1773 }

Then his Excellency withdrew.

And M^r President having taken the Chair, He reported to the House, that his Excellency had made a most Affectionate Speech to both Houses, of which to prevent mistakes he had obtained a Copy.

ORDERED That his Excellencys Speech be now read,

And the same being read, by the Clerk,

RESOLVED, Nemine Dissentiente That an Address of Thanks be drawn up and presented to his Excellency the Governor for his Affectionate Speech to both Houses.

ORDERED, That a Committee be appointed to draw up an Address of Thanks to his Excellency upon the said Resolution; And that M^r Stokes M^r Johnson and M^r Powell be a Committee for that purpose.

ORDERED, That his Excellencys Speech be referred to the said Committee

And then, the House was Adjourned
till to morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis the 2nd March 1773

The House met according to Adjournment

M^r Stokes from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address to his Excellency the Governor, Reported that the Committee had prepared an Address accordingly, which the Committee had directed him to Report when the Honourable House will please to Receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now Received.

And M^r Stokes read the same in his place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table where the Address was again read, And then the House was Adjourned during pleasure, And put into a Committee upon the said Address

After some time the House was resumed and M^r Powell from the Committee of the whole House Reported the Committee had gone thro' the said Address without making any Amendments thereto, and the said Address being again Read,

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ORDERED That the same be Ingrossed,

Here enter the Address &C & His Excell^{ys} Answer---

And then the House adjourn'd untill to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii the 3rd March 1773

The House met according to Adjournment

M^r Sotkes presented a Bill, Intitled An Act to Explain, Amend, and reduce into one Act of Assembly the several Laws now in being Relating to the holding Special Courts for the Trial of Personal Actions wherein any Transient Person or Persons is or are Plaintiff, or Plaintiffs, Defendant or Defendants, and the same was received and Ordered to be Read the first time to Morrow

And then the House Adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis 4th March

The House met according to Adjournment

The order of the day being Read, The Bill Intitled, an Act, to Explain, Amend, and Reduce into one Act

of Assembly the several Laws now in being Relating to the holding Special Courts for the Trial of Personal Actions wherein any Transient Person or Persons is or are Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, Defendant or Defendants was Read a first time, and Ordered to be Read a Second time to Morrow—

And then the House Adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris the 5th March 1773

The House met according to Adjournment

The Bill Intitled an Act to Explain, Amend and Reduce into one Act of Assembly the several Laws now in being Relating to the holding Special Courts for the Trial of personal Actions wherein any Transient Person or Persons is or are Plaintiff or Plaintiffs defendant or defendants was Read a Second time and Ordered to be Committed to a Committee of the whole House on Monday next.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Stirk with an Ingrossed Bill, Intitled, An Act, for the better Ordering the Militia.

M^r Mackay, M^r Yonge, and M^r Martin applied for and had leave of absence for a Week from Monday next.

And then the House Adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati the 6th March

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourned till Monday Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ the 8th March 1773

The House met according to Adjournment

The House was Adjourned during Pleasure and put into a Committee upon the Bill to Explain, Amend, and Reduce into one Act of Assembly the several Laws now in being Relating to the holding Special Courts for the Trial of Personal Actions wherein any Transient Person or Persons is or are Plaintiff or Plaintiffs Defendant or Defendants and after sometime M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House, Reported, that the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill without making any Amendments

ORDERED That the said Bill be Ingrossed

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House for the better Ordering the Militia was Read the first time and Ordered to be read a Second time to Morrow

And then the House Adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis the 9th March

The House met according to Adjournm^t

The Ingrossed Bill, for the better Ordering the Militia was Read a Second time, and Ordered to be Committed to Morrow.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Yonge desiring a free Conference of both Houses on the Amendments made to the Bill, Intitled, An Act to prevent the Mischiefs arising from the Practice of hunting with Fire and Killing Deer by Night.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Clerk in the Words following.

M^r Speaker

In Answer to your Message of this day desiring a free Conference of both Houses on the Amendments made by this House to the Bill, Intitled An Act, to Prevent the Mischiefs arising from the Practise of Hunting with Fire and killing Deer by Night, this House, doth Agree to the same, and are ready to enter on the said Conference Immediately in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber.

And then the House adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii the 10th March 1773

The House met according to Adjournm^t

The Ingrossed Bill, Intituled An Act, to Explain Amend, and Reduce, into one Act of Assembly the several Laws now in being relating to the Holding Special Courts for the Trial of Personal Actions wherein Any Person or Persons, is or are Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, Defendant or Defendants, was Read a third time.

And the Question being put, Whether this Bill shall pass.

RESOLVED that the Bill do pass

ORDERED That the Clerk carry the Bill to the Commons House and desire their Concurrence therein.

And then the House Adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis the 11th March 1773

The House met according to Adjournment

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Shruder, That the Commons House have passed a Bill, To Ascertain and Regulate Publick Officers Fees, and also the Fees of other Persons herein after mentioned.

The House was Adjourn'd during Pleasure and put into a Committee upon the Ingrossed Bill For the Better Ordering the Militia.

After some time M^r Elliott from the Committee, Reported, that the Committee had gone thro some part of the said Bill, made several Amendments thereto, and desired leave to sit again.

RESOLVED That the Committee have leave to sit again.

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris the 12th March 1773

The House met according to Adjournm^t

The House was Adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee upon the Bill for the better Ordering the Militia.

After some time the House was Resumed and M^r Elliott from the Committee of the whole House, Reported that the Committee had made further progress in the Bill; made several Amendments thereto and that he was directed by the Committee to desire leave to sit again.

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati the 13th March

The House met according to Adjournm^t

A Message from his Excellency the Governor was Read in the Words following.

I do Adjourn the Upper House of Assembly to Tuesday the Eighth day of June next, and it is hereby Adjourned, accordingly untill the said Eighth of June then to meet for the Dispatch of Business.

Given under my hand at Savannah in Georgia the 13th day of March 1773.

J: WRIGHT

To the Hon^{ble} the President and }
Member of his Majesty's Hon^{ble} }
Council }

ORDERED That all Orders and Resolutions be Adjourn'd over untill that day.

And then the House Adjourn'd untill Tuesday the Eighth day of June next. Eleven O'Clock in the forenoon.

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis the 8th June 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii the 9th June

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis the 10th June

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris the 11th June

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati the 12th June

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning 11 O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ the 14th June 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis the 15th June

The House met according to Adjournm^t and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morn^g Eleven O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii the 16th June

The House met according to Adjournment

Motion was made that an Address of Thanks be prepared and Presented to his Excellency the Governor for his great Zeal for the Interest and Welfare of this Province, and in particular for the Trouble and fatigue his Excellency lately underwent in Obtaining the Session of so Valuable a Tract of Land from the Creek and Cherokee Indians.

RESOLVED That an Address of Thanks be prepared and presented to his Excellency agreeable to the above Motion, and that M^r Powell and M^r Martin prepare the same.

The House was Adjourned during pleasure and Resolved itself into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House, To ascertain and Regulate Public Officers Fees and also the fees of other Persons herein after mentioned.

After sometime M^r Martin from the Committee of the whole House, Reported that the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill without making any Amendments therein.

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis the 17th June 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris the 18th June

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati the 19th June

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till Monday Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ 21st June

The House met according to Adjournment

M^r Powell from the Committee appointed to draw up an Address to his Excellency the Governor Reported, that the Committee had prepared the same and that the Committee are Ready to present it when the Honourable House will be pleased to receive the same

ORDERED That the Report be now Received.

And M^r Powell read the same in his place and afterwards delivered it in at the Table where the Address was again Read, and Agreed to by the House

The Address of the Council to his Excellency the Governor.

To his Excellency Sir James Wright Bar^t Captain General and Governor in Chief in and over his Majesty's Province of Georgia, Chancellor, Vice Admiral and Ordinary of the same.

The Address of the Upper House of Assembly

May it please your Excellency

We his Majesty's most Dutiful and Loyal Subjects, the Council of Georgia in General Assembly met, beg leave with the highest Sence of Gratitude and Respect, to Offer your Excellency our sincere thanks, for the great Pains you have lately taken, and the Trouble you have been at, in obtaining from the Creek and Cherokee Indians, a Cession of a very extensive and Valuable Tract of Land, which important Acquisition must, from its Situation and fertility of Soil, Effectually and Immediately settle and Strengthen our Western Frontier, and as Several Members of this House were present at the Congress and Witnesses to the Fatigues and Difficulty's You underwent upon that Occasion, We the more chearfully and heartily Congratulate Your Excellency and the good People of this Country upon the Completion of this most wished for Event,

This recent Testimony of your Excellency's Regard to and Zeal for the Security and Prosperity of the Inhabitants of this Province, demand our most grateful Acknowledgements, And will Render your Excellency's Memory and Name, Revered and Beloved to our Latest Posterity.

That your Excellency may long Preside over us, and that you may enjoy an Uninterrupted State of health and Felicity is our Constant Wish

By Order of the House
JAMES HABERSHAM President

Savannah in Georgia }
21st June 1773.— }

ORDERED, That the Address be Ingrossed,

And that M^r President do sign the same

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis the 22nd June 1773

The House met according to Adjournm^t

His Excellency's the Governor's Answer to the Address of the Upper House.

Honourable Gentlemen

I Return you my most Cordial thanks for your Warm and Friendly Address on the Success Attending the Congress with the Indians at Augusta, The Acquisition is certainly very Considerable. and I trust will in a few Years put this Province in a State of Security against the Indians, and also Contribute Greatly to the Increase of our Trade and Opulence.

And permit me to assure you that the generous Approbation of my Conduct, and Good Wishes Expressed; by Gentlemen of whose Honour and Integrity I have had so long and great Experience, Give me the highest Satisfaction

JA: WRIGHT

Savannah
22nd June 1773 }

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Baker
(Viz^t)

Commons House of Assembly
22nd June 1773

Honourable Gentlemen

This House have agreed to the Bill, Intitled, A Bill to Explain, Amend, and Reduce into one Act of As-

sembly the several Laws now in being relating to the Holding Special Courts for the Trial of Personal Actions wherein any Transient Person or Persons is or are Plaintiff or Plaintiffs Defendant or Defendants with some Amendments to which Amendments they desire the Concurrence of your House.

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii the 23rd June 1773

The House met according to Adjournm^t and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morn^g Eleven O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis the 24th June

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris the 25th June

The House met according to Adjournment

The House took under Consideration the Amendments

made by the Commons House to the Bill Intituled An Act to Explain, Amend, and Reduce into one Act of Assembly the several Laws now in being, relating to the holding Special Courts for the Trial of Personal Actions wherein any Person or Persons, is or are Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, Defendant or Defendants.

ORDERED That the Clerk carry the following Message to the Commons House.

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill Intituled An Act to Explain, Amend, and Reduce into one Act of Assembly the several Laws now in being relating to the holding Special Courts for the Trial of Personal Actions wherein any Person or Persons, is or are Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, Defendant or Defendants have Agreed to one of the said Amendments but disagreed to the others. This House therefore desires your House will Join them. in a free Conference on the Subject Matter of the said Amendments which if you agree to, this House will enter on the said Business at Eleven O'Clock on Thursday next, in the Room Adjoining the Council Chamber.

The House Adjourned &C & was put into a Committee on the Militia Bill after some time went thro' the same made several Amendments which M^r Powell from the Committee Reported &C. which was Agreed to,

ORDERED the bill be read a Third time on Monday with some Amendments to which they desire the Concurrence of your House.

And then the House Adjourned till to
Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati the 26th June 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourned till Monday Morning Eleven O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ the 28th June

The House met according to Adjournment

Read Militia Bill the third time, Past and sent down with a Message to desire the Concurrence to the Amendm^{ts} made—

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis the 29th June

The House met according to Adjournment

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Netherclift That the Commons House had passed a Bill Intituled an Act to empower Commissioners or Surveyors to lay out, make, and Repair the Roads already laid out, or may hereafter be necessary, and also to clear the Rivers and Creeks within their Respective Divisions, to which they desire the Concurrence of this House, and the said Bill was Read the first time, and Ordered to be Read a Second time—

And then the House Resolved itself into a Committee of the whole House to take under Consideration "the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House, For the Settling and Ascertaining the Fees to be taken by the Several publick Officers and Persons herein after named was read the third time & the Question being put &C a Message was sent &C

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii the 30th June 1773

The House met according to Adjournment

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Thomas Young. "That the Commons House have passed a Bill Intituled An Act to Amend an Act to Ascertain the Manner and Form of Electing Members to Represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly—Also a Bill Intituled an Act to Prevent Damages arising from Dams or Banks, and for preventing Persons from Stopping the natural Course or Courses of Water to the Injury of their Neighbours. to which they desire the Concurrence of this House.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Shruder was Received and Read in the Words following Viz^t

Commons House of Assembly

30th June 1773

Honourable Gentlemen

In Answer to your Message of the Twenty Eighth Instant desiring a free Conference upon the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Ingrossed Bill, Entitled an Act to explain, amend and reduce into one Act of Assembly the several Laws now in being relating to the special Courts for the Trial of Personal Actions wherein any Person or Persons is or are Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, defendant or Defendants, this House doth agree to the same and will meet your House accordingly at the place and time appointed.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intitled An Act to amend an Act to ascertain the manner and form of Electing Members to Represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly. And also a Bill Intitled an Act to prevent Damages arising from Dams or Banks and for preventing Persons stopping the natural Course or Courses of Water, to the Injury of their Neighbours were Read the first time and Ordered to be Read a Second time

And then the House Adjourn'd 'till to
Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis the 1st July 1773

The House met according to Adjournment

The order of the day for holding a Conference with the Commons House was Adjourn'd over until to Morrow Morning Eleven O'Clock.

Upon motion made

RESOLVED nemine contradicente That the Thanks of this House be given to the Honourable John Stuart Esq^r Superintendant of Indian Affairs for the Southern District of America for the part he had taken in Obtaining the late Session of Lands from the Creek and Cherokee Indians.

ORDERED That the Clerk of this House do transmit to the Honourable John Stuart Esquire Superintendant of the Indian Affairs for the Southern District of America the Thanks of this House for the part he had taken in Obtaining the late Cession of Lands from the Creek and Cherokee Indians.

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris the 2nd July 1773

The House met according to Adjournment

A Message from his Excellency the Governor was Received and Read in the Words following Viz^t

The House was Adjourn'd during pleasure and the Committee went to the Conference appointed to be held on the Amendments made by the Commons House to the Bill Intituled An Act to Explain, Amend, and Reduce into one Act of Assembly the several Laws now in being relating to the holding Special Courts for the Trial of Personal Actions wherein any Person or Persons, is or

are Plaintiff or Plaintiffs, Defendant or Defendants which being Ended the House was Resumed and the following Message was sent to the Commons House by the Clerk

Upper House of Assembly
the 2nd July 1773

M^r Speaker

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act to Ascertain the Manner and Form of Electing Members to Represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly. And Also the Bill Intituled An Act to impower Commissioners or Surveyors to lay out make and Repair the Roads already laid out or that may hereafter be necessary, and also to clear the Rivers and Creeks within their Respective Divisions were Read a Second time.

ORDERED That the said Bills be committed to a Committee of the whole House.

ORDERED That the House be put into a Committee on the said Bills on

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati the 3rd July 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till Monday Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ the 5th July 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis the 6th July

The House met according to Adjournm^t and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii the 7th July

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis the 8th July

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris the 9th July

The House met according to Adjourn^t and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati the 10th July 1773

The House met according to Adjournm^t and Adjourn'd till Monday Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ the 12th July 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis the 13th July

The House met according to Adjournm^t and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii the 14th July

The House met according to Adjournm^t

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intitled An Act to prevent Damages arising from Dams or Banks and for preventing Persons from Stopping the natural Course or Courses of Water to the Injury of their Neighbours was Read a Second time and Ordered to be Committed.

The House Adjourned during pleasure and Resolved itself into a Committee on the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intitled an Act to prevent Damages arising from Dams or Banks and for preventing Persons from Stopping the Natural Course or Courses of Water to the Injury of their Neighbours. And after some time the House was Resumed and M^r Read from the Committee of the House Reported "that the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to Report when the honourable House will please to Receive the Same.

RESOLVED That the Report be now Received

And M^r Reed read the same in his place and afterwards delivered the same in at the Table where the Amendments were again Read and agreed to by the House.

A Message was brought from the Commons house by M^r Yonge that the Commons House have passed a Bill to prevent the stealing of Horses and Neat Cattle and unlawfully branding, marking, killing, or driving the same, to which they desire the Concurrence of this

House, And the said Bill was Read a first time and Ordered to be Read a Second time.

A Message was brought from the Commons house by M^r Stirk. "That the Commons House have passed a Bill Intituled an Act for Granting to his Majesty a duty upon Raw Neat Hides exported from this Province, and for preventing the Exportation of Unmerchantable Tanned Leather, which Bill was Read a first time and Ordered to be Read a Second time.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Stirk, That the Commons House

ORDERED That the following Message be sent to the Commons House by the Clerk.

Upper House of Assembly 11th July 1773.

M^r Speaker

In answer to your Message desiring a conference with this House on the Amendments made to the Bill Intituled An Act for the better Ordering the Militia, this House doth agree to the same, and have appointed a Committee to join a Committee of your House on the subject Matter of the said Amendments, in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber on Friday Morning at Ten O'Clock.

Committee

Hon ^{ble}	{ James Edward Powell	} Esq ^m
	{ James Read	
	{ Henry Yonge	

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Eight O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis the 15th July 1773

The House met according to Adjournment

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Clay with a Bill Intituled An Act to Amend and continue the several Laws therein mentioned, and for vesting several Ferries in the Persons mentioned in an Act, entitled "an Act for Establishing several Ferries in this Province in the Persons therein named which was Read the first time and Ordered to be Read a Second time.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act for granting to his Majesty a Duty upon Raw Neat Hides exported from this Province, and for preventing the Exportation of Unmerchantable Tanned Leather was Read a Second time and Ordered to be Committed. on this day week

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled An Act to prevent the stealing of Horses and Neat Cattle and Unlawfully Branding, marking, killing or driving the same. was Read a Second time and Ordered to be Committed. on this day week

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Eight O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris the 16th July 1773

The House met according to Adjournm^t

The House was Adjourned during Pleasure & put

into a Committee on—The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act to empower the Commissioners or Surveyors to lay out make and Repair the Roads already laid out or may hereafter be necessary, and also to clear the Rivers and Creeks within their Respective divisions, & After some M^r Powell from the Committee Reported had &C—made some Amendments

ORDERED the Bill be read a third time—on Wednesday next—

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Eight O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati the 17 July 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till Monday Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ the 19th July

The House met according to Adjournm^t,

A Message was brought from the Commons house by M^r Clay &C Intituled An Act to Oblige Masters of Vessels and other Transient Persons importing Negroes or other Slaves, Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, to pay tax for the same, and to compel the Persons directed to receive the same to give Security for the due performance of

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their Office, and for Monies that may be Received by them by Virtue of any Act of this Province Was read the First time and Ordered to be read a second time on Monday the Twenty sixth Instant

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Eight O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis the 20th July 1773

The House met according to Adjournment

A Message from the Commons By M^r Barnard had passed a Bill for selling for a term of Years the ferrys over Great Hogeech to which the desire &C

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intitled An Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to lease to the Thirty first of December next, and then to put up for sale, for the Benefit of the Publick the Ferry over Great Ogeechee River, for a Term of Years and to Authorize the Said Commissioners to inspect and Regulate the said Ferry was read the first time & ordered to be read a second time

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Eight O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii the 21st July

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intitled

“An Act to ascertain the manner and form of Electing Members to Represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly was read the third time.

And the Question being put whether this Bill shall pass

It was resolved in the Affirmative

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act to prevent Damages arising from Dams or Banks, and for preventing Persons from stopping the natural Course or Courses of Water to the Injury of their Neighbours was read a third time.

And the Question being put whether this Bill shall pass

It was resolved in the Affirmative

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House, Intituled An Act to empower Commissioners or Surveyors to lay out, make, and Repair the Roads already laid out or may hereafter be necessary and also to clear the Rivers and Creeks within their Respective Divisions was Read a third time.

And the Question being put whether this Bill shall pass.

It was resolved in the Affirmative

ORDERED That the Clerk return the aforesaid Bills to the Commons House and desire their Concurrence to the Amendments made by this House to the said Bills

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Eight O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis the 22nd July 1773

The House met according to Adjournment

The House was Adjourned during Pleasure And Resolved itself into a Committee to take into Consideration the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act to prevent the Stealing of Horses and Neat Cattle, and unlawfully branding, marking, killing or driving the same. After Sometime the House was Resumed and M^r Read from the Committee Reported. "That the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to Report when the Honourable House will please to Receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now Received, And M^r Read read the same in his place and afterwards delivered the same in at the Table where the same was again Read and agreed to by the House.

Then the House Adjourned during Pleasure & was put into a Committee on the Raw Hide Bill &C & after sometime the House was Resumed

And— Mr Read from the Committee of the whole House to whom was refer'd the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act for granting to his Majesty a Duty on Raw Neat Hides exported from this Province, and for preventing the Exportation of Unmerchantable Tannted Leather. Reported that the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill and made Several Amendments thereto which the Committee had directed him to Report when the Honourable House will please to Receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now Received. And M^r Read read the Amendments in his place and afterwards delivered the Bill with the Amendments in at the Table where the same was again Read and Agreed to by the House. Then the House was Resumed &

“the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to Lease to the Thirty first of December next, and then put up for Sale, for the Benefit of the Publick, the Ferry over Great Ogechee River, for a term of Years, and to Authorize the said Commissioners to inspect and Regulate the said Ferry was read the send ^(sic) time & ordered to be Committed

The House accordingly Adjourned during pleasure & was put into a Comm. on the said Bill after some time the House was resumed & M^r Graham Reported the Amendments which were agreed to.

ORDERED The Bill be read tomorrow,

And then the House Adjourned till tomorrow Morning Eight O’Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris the 23 July

The House met according to Adjournment

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House, Intituled An Act to prevent the Stealing of Horses and Neat Cattle, and unlawfully branding, marking, killing or driving the same was read the third time.

And the Question being put whether this Bill shall pass

It was resolved in the Affirmative

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act for granting to his Majesty a Duty upon Raw Neat Hides exported from this Province, and for preventing the Exportation of Unmerchantable Tanned Leather was read the third time.

And the Question being put whether this Bill shall pass

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act to empower the Commissioners therein named to lease to the Thirty first of December next, and then put up for Sale, for the Benefit of the Publick, the Ferry over Great Ogechee River, for a Term of Years, and to Authorize the said Commissioners to Inspect and Regulate the said Ferry was read the third time

And the Question being put whether this Bill shall pass.

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That the Clerk Return the said three Bills to the Commons House & desire their Concurrence to the Amendments—

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Eight O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati the 24th July

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till Monday Morning Nine O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ the 26th July.

The House met according to Adjournment

The Bill to oblige Masters of Vessells & other Transient Person &C was read the second time & then the House Adjourned till tomorrow Morning Eight O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis the 27th July 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourned till to Morrow Morning Eight O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii the 28th July

The House met According to Adjournment & the House was resolved into a Committee on the Bill to ob-

lige Masters of Vessels &C After some time the House was Resumed &

M^r Powell from the Committee of the whole House to whom was Referr'd the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act to oblige Masters of Vessels and other Transient Persons importing Negroes or other Slaves, Goods, Wares, and Merchandize, to pay Tax for the same; and to compel the Persons directed to receive the same to give Security for the due performance of their Office, and for Monies that may be Received by them by virtue of Any Act of this Province. Reported. "the Committee had gone thro' the same and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honourable House will please to receive the same

ORDERED That the Report be now Received, And M^r Powell read the Amendments in his place and afterwards delivered the same in at the Table where the same was again Read and agreed to by the House

ORDERED That the Bill with the Amendments be now Read the third time, And the same being Read

And the Question being put whether this Bill shall pass. .

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That the Clerk do Return the said Bill with the Amendments to the Commons House and desire their Concurrence to the Amendments made by this House

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis the 29th July

The House met according to Adjournment

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Henry Yonge (Viz^t)

Commons House of Assembly

Honourable Gentlemen

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill. To prevent Damages arising from Dams or Banks and for preventing Persons stopping the natural Course or Courses of Water to the Injury of their Neighbours— have agreed to the same— Also the Amendments made to the Bill to Amend an Act, Intituled An Act to ascertain the manner and form of Electing Members to Represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly— And Also to a Bill to empower Commissioners or Surveyors to lay out make and Repair the Roads already laid out or that may hereafter be necessary, and also to clear the Rivers and Creeks within their Respective Divisions— and have agreed to some and disagreed to others— And that this House desires your House will appoint a Committee to join a Committee of their House in conference on the Subject Matters of the Amendments made to the said Bills

ORDERED That The following Message was sent to the Commons House by the Clerk.

M^r Speaker

In Answer to your Message of this Day desiring this

House will appoint a Committee to join a Committee of your House in Conference on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill to Amend An Act Intitled An Act to ascertain the manner and form of Electing Members to Represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly—

And also to the Bill to empower the Commissioners or Surveyors to lay out make and Repair the Roads already laid out or that may hereafter be necessary and and also to clear the Rivers and Creeks within their Respective Divisions do Agree to the said Conference and have appointed a Committee accordingly to meet in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber immediately

Committee

Hon ^{ble}	{	James Edward Powell James Read James Hume	}	Esquires
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And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Nine O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris the 30th July 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow morning Nine O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati the 31st July

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till Monday Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ the 2nd August

The House met according to Adjournm^t

Message from the Commons House by M^r Zubly (Viz)

Commons House of Assembly
2nd August 1773

Honourable Gentlemen

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your House to the Bill to empower the Commissioners therein Named to put up to Sale for the Benefit of the Public the Ferry over Great Ogechee River for a Term of Years and to authorize the said Commissioners to Inspect and Regulate the said Ferry— Also the Amendments made to the Bill to Amend and Continue an Act to oblige Masters of Vessels, Supercargoes and other Transient Persons importing Goods and Merchandize into this Province to pay tax for the same and to oblige the Treasurer and Collector of Country duties, to give Security for the due performance of their Office, and for Monies that may be Received by them by Virtue of this or any other Act of this Province— And have agreed to some and disagreed to others, and this House desires your House will appoint a Committee to join a Committee of their House in Conference on the Subject matter of the Amendments made to the said Bills— This House has likewise taken under Consideration the amendments made by the Upper House to the Bill for granting to his Majesty a duty upon Raw Neat Hides exported from this Province and for preventing the Exportation of unmerchantable Tanned Leather— and agreed to the same.

ORDERED That the following Message be sent to the Commons House by the Clerk

Upper House of Assembly
2nd August 1773

Mr Speaker

In Answer to your Message of this day desiring this House will appoint a Committee to join a Committee of your House on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made this House to the Bill to empower the Commissioners therein named to put up to sale for the benefit of the Publick the Ferry over Great Ogechee River for a Term of Years, and to Authorize the said Commissioners to Inspect and Regulate the said Ferry— And also the Amendments made to the Bill to Amend and Continue an Act to Oblige Masters of Vessels Supercargoes and other Transient Persons importing Goods and Merchandize into this Province to pay Tax for the same, and to oblige the Treasurer, and Collector of Country duties to give Security for the due performance of their Office, and for Monies that may be received by them by Virtue of this or any other Act of this Province doth agree to the said Conference and have appointed a Committee accordingly to join a Committee of your House on this subject Matter of the said Amendments, to meet in the Room adjoining the Council Chamber at Twelve O'Clock to Morrow.

And then the House Adjourned till to-morrow Morning Nine O'Clocke—

Committee

Hon ^{ble}	{	James Mackay	} Esq ^m
		James Edward Powell	
		Henry Yonge	
		James Read	

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis the 3^d August 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourned till to Morrow Morning Nine O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii the 4th August

The House met according to Adjournment

The Committee appointed to confer with a Committee of the Commons House on the subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill to empower the Commissioners therein named to Lease to the Thirty first of December next, and then to put up for sale, for the Benefit of the Publick, the Ferry over Great Ogeechee River for a Term of Years, and to authorize the said Commissioners to inspect and Regulate the said Ferry and also to the Bill to oblige Masters of Vessels and other Transient Persons importing Negroes or other Slaves. Goods, Wares and Merchadize, to pay tax for the same; and to compel the Persons directed to receive the same to give Security for the due performance of their Office, and for Monies that may be received by them by Virtue of any Act of this Province. Reported. "that the Committee had agreed to several Alterations in the Amendments made by this House to the aforesaid Bills and adhered to others, which being Read was agreed to by the House.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Clerk in the Words following.

Upper House of Assembly

4th August 1773M^r Speaker

This House having taken under Consideration the Report of the Committee of this House appointed to join a Committee of your House in Conference on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill Intituled Act to Ascertain the manner and form of Electing Members to Represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly. Also a Bill to empower Commissioners or Surveyors to lay out make and Repair the Roads already laid out, or may hereafter be necessary, and also to clear Rivers and Creeks within their Respective Divisions. Also to the Bill to empower the Commissioners therein named to put up for Sale for the benefit of the Publick the Ferry over great Ogechee River for a Term of Years and to Authorize the said Commissioners to Inspect and Regulate the said Ferry, And also to the Bill to Amend and Continue an Act to oblige Masters of Vessels Supercargoes and other Transient Persons importing Goods and Merchandize into this Province to pay Tax for the same, and to oblige the Treasurer and Collector of Country duties to give Security for the due performance of their Office and for Monies that may be Received by them by Virtue of this or any other Act of this Province, do agree with their Committee in the Alteration made in the said several Amendments at the Conference, and adhere to the Amendments which their Committee did adhere to.

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Nine O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis the 5th August 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Nine O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris the 6 August

The House met according to Adjournment

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Netherclift with an Ordinance for Appointing the Honourable Grey Elliott Esquire Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain, in Case of the Absence of Benjamin Franklin Esquire, from Great Britain was Read the first time and Order'd to be Read a Second time.

M^r Stokes presented a Bill to explain and Amend An Act for ascertaining the Qualifications of Jurors in the Province of Georgia which was received and Read the first time and Ordered to be read a Second time to Morrow.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House for Ascertaining Public Officers Fees was Read a third time.

And the Question being put whether this Bill shall pass.

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That the Clerk do return the said Bill to the Commons House and desire their Concurrence to the Amendments made by this House to the said Bill.

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Nine O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati the 7 August 1773

The House met according to Adjournment.

The Ordinance from the Commons House appointing the Honourable Grey Elliott Esquire Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain, in Case of the absence of Benjamin Franklin Esquire, from Great Britain Also the Bill to Explain and Amend An Act Intitled An Act for Ascertaining the Qualifications of Jurors, and for Establishing the Method of balloting and Summoning Jurors in the Province of Georgia were read the second time and Ordered to be Committed.

The House accordingly resolved itself into a Committee upon the Ordinance for appointing the Honourable Grey Elliott Esquire Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain, in Case of the absence of Benjamin Franklin Esq^r from Great Britain and after some Time the House was Resumed and M^r Powell from the Committee of the House Reported the Committee had gone thro' the said Ordinance and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to Report when the Honourable House will please to Receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now received.

And M^r Powell read the Amendments in his place and afterwards delivered the same in at the Table where the same was again Read and agreed to by the House—

The House again Resolved itself into a Committee to take into Consideration A Bill Intituled An Act to Explain and Amend An Act for Ascertaining the Qualifications of Jurors, and for Establishing the Method of balloting and Summoning of Jurors in the Province of Georgia and after some time spent therein the House was Resumed and M^r Powell from the Committee of the House Reported the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill and made some Amendments thereto which he was directed to Report when the Honourable House will please to Receive the same.

ORDERED That the Report be now made.

M^r Powell read the Amendments in his place and afterwards delivered the same in at the Table where the Amendments was again read and agreed to by the House.

ORDERED That the Bill with the Amendments be Ingrossed

And then the House Adjourn'd till
Monday Morning Ten O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ the 9th August 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis the 10th August 1773

The House met according to Adjournment.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Shruder

Commons House of Assembly
9th August 1773

Honourable Gentlemen

This House have agreed to the Alterations made by their Committee at the Conference in the Amendments made by your House to the Bill to empower Commissioners or Surveyors to lay out make and Repair the Roads already laid out or may hereafter be necessary, and also to clear the Rivers and Creeks within their Respective Divisions— And also to the Alterations made by their Committee at the Conference in the Amendments made by your House to the Bill to empower the Commissioners therein named to put up to sale for the Benefit of the Publick the Ferry over Great Ogeechee River for a Term of Years, and to Authorize the said Commissioners to Inspect and Regulate the said Ferry— The House doth disagree to the Second Amendment made by your House to the Bill to ascertain the manner and form of Electing Members to Represent the Inhabitants of this Province in the Commons House of Assembly, and therefore proceeded no further upon the other Amendments, and doth also disagree to the Amendments made by your House to the Bill to Amend and continue an Act to oblige Masters of Vessels, Supercargoes and other Transient persons importing Goods and Merchandize into this Province to pay Tax for the same and to oblige the Treasurer and Collector of the Country Duties

to give Security for the due performance of their Office, and for Monies that may be Received by them by Virtue of this or any other Act of this Province.

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii the 11th August. 1773.

The House met according to Adjournment

The Ordinance for Appointing the Honourable Grey Elliott Esq^r Agent to Sollicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain in case of the absence of Benjamin Franklin Esq^r from Great Britain, was Read a third time.

And the Question being put whether this Bill shall pass.

It was Resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That the Clerk return the Ordinance to the Commons House and desire their Concurrence to the Amendments made to the same by this House.

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Henry Yonge (Viz^t)

Commons House of Assembly
11th August 1773

Honourable Gentlemen

This House having taken into Consideration the

Amendments made by your House to the Bill to Regulate and ascertain Public Officers fees, and also the Fees of other Persons therein named doth agree to some and disagree to others— This House therefore desires your House will appoint a Committee to Join a Committee of this House in Conference on the subject matter of the said Amendments.

A Message was sent to the Commons House by the Clerk in the Words following (Viz^t)

Upper House of Assembly 11th Aug^t 1773

M^r Speaker

In Answer to the Message from your House of this day desiring this House will appoint a Committee to join a Committee of your House in Conference on the subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill Intitled an Act to ascertain and Regulate Public Officers Fees, and also the Fees of other Persons therein mentioned this House doth agree to the said Conference and have appointed a Committee accordingly to meet in the Room adjoyning the Council Chamber on Monday the Twenty third Instant at Eleven O'Clock in the forenoon

Committee

Hon^{ble} James Edward Powell. Anthony Stokes and James Hume Esq^{rs}

Motion was made that An Act to explain and Amend An Act Intitled An Act for Ascertaining the Qualifications of Jurors, and for establishing the Method of Balloting and Summoning Jurors in the Province of Georgia be read a third time, And a Debate arising thereon,

and the Question being put whether the Bill be now Read the third time. Resolved the third reading of the said Bill be postponed till the Sixteenth of August.

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Jovis the 12th August 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Veneris the 13th August

The House met according to Adjournment and adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Sabbati the 14th August

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till Monday Morning Ten O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Lunæ the 16th August 1773

The House met according to Adjournment

This day was read, the third time, a Bill Intituled An Act to Explain and Amend An Act for Ascertaining the Qualifications of Jurors, and for establishing the Method of Balloting and Summoning Jurors in the Province of Georgia.

And the Question being put whether this Bill shall pass.

It was Resolved in the Negative

ORDERED That M^r Attorney General do prepare and bring in a Bill to subject defaulting Jurors to the fees Incurr'd on Writs of Capias and Fieri Facias issued out, and other Proceedings had against defaulting Jurors, to Enable the General Court and Sessions to Issue out Writs of Fieri Facias against the Real and Personal Estates of defaulting Jurors— and to oblige the Prothonotary to give Notice in the Publick Gazette of the Names of all Jurors fined for delinquency.

And the House Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From State Archives.)

Die Martis the 17th August 1773

The House met according to Adjournment

M^r Attorney General Reported that agreeable to Or-

der he had prepared a Bill Intitled an Act to Explain and Amend An Act which was Received and Read the first time and Ordered to be Read a Second time to Morrow.

And then the House Adjourn'd till to
Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock

(From State Archives.)

Die Mercurii the 18th August 1773

The House met according to Adjournment and Adjourn'd till to Morrow Morning Ten O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 19th Augusti

The House met According to Adjournment

"The Bill to Explain and Amend an Act for Subjecting defaulting Jurors to the fees Incurred on Writs of Capias and Fieri Facias issued out, and other proceedings had against defaulting Jurors, to Enable the General Court and Sessions to Issue out Writs of Fieri Facias against the real and Personal Estates of defaulting Jurors, and to oblige the Prothonotary to give Notice in the Publick Gazette of the Names of all Jurors fined for delinquency" Was read the Second time, and the House adjourned till to morrow Morning.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 20th Augusti

The House met According to Adjournment, and adjourned till to morrow Morning ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 21st Augusti

The House met According to Adjournment and adjourned till Monday Morning ten O'Clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 23^d Augusti

The House met According to Adjournment and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 24th Augusti

The House met According to Adjournment.

The House was put into a Committee on the Bill to Explain and amend an Act for subjecting defaulting

Jurors to the fees Incurred on Writs of Capias and Fieri Facias Issued out and other proceedings had against defaulting Jurors, to Enable the General Court and Sessions to Issue out Writs of Fieri Facias against the real and Personal Estates of defaulting Jurors, and to oblige the Prothonotary to Publish the Names of such Jurors as may be fined in the Publick Gazette

After some time, The House was resumed, and M^r Yonge from the Committee Reported, the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill without making any Alteration.

ORDERED That the Bill be Ingrossed.

And then the House adjourned 'till ten
O'clock to morrow

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 25th Augusti

The House met According to Adjournment.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Simpson with a Bill Intituled an Act to enforce the payment of the Arrears of Taxes in this Province from Persons holding or Claiming to hold lands by Virtue of and under Grants signed by the Governor of South Carolina in the year of Our Lord 1763" which was read the first time and ordered to be read a Second time to morrow.

And then the House Adjourned till to
morrow Morning ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 26th Augusti

The House met According to Adjournment

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act to Enforce the payment of the Arrears of Taxes in this Province, from Persons holding or Claiming to hold lands by Virtue of and under Grants from the Governor of South Carolina Signed in the year of our Lord 1763." was read a Second time and Ordered to be Committed

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Shruder was read in the words following

Honorable Gentlemen

This House having taken under Consideration the Amendments made by your house to the Ordinance Appointing the Honorable Grey Elliott Esq^r Agent to Solicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain, in case of the absence of Benjamin Franklin Esquire from Great Britain do agree to the said Amendments.

And then the House was adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 27th Augusti

The House met According to Adjournment

The Bill to Explain and Amend an Act for subjecting defaulting Jurors to the fees Incurr'd on Writs of Capias

and Fieri Facias Issued out of the General Court and Sessions and other proceedings had against defaulting Jurors; to enable the General Court and Sessions to Issue out Writs of Fieri Facias, against the real and Personal Estates of Defaulting Jurors, and to oblige the Prothonotary to give Notice in the Publick Gazette of the Names of all Jurors fined for delinquency" Was read a third time.

And the Question being put "Whether this Bill shall pass"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That the Clerk Carry down the said Bill to the Commons House and desire their Concurrence thereto.

ORDERED, Nemine Contradissente, That a Committee be appointed to Collect from the Journals of this House, and from the Parliamentary Proceedings in Great Britain, such rules and Orders, as may be proper to be Established as Standing rules for this House; and it is referred to M^r Stokes M^r Powell M^r Hume and M^r Johnson or any three, or two of them, and they are to meet with all Convenient Speed, and to sit de die in diem untill they shall have perfected the Matters to them referred, and report the same to the House, and they are Impowered to send for Persons Papers and records.

And then the House Adjourned 'till to morrow Morning Ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 28th Augusti

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned 'till Monday Morning ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 30th Augusti

The House Met According to Adjournment,

And M^r Stokes from the Committee appointed to Collect from the Journals of this House and from the Parliamentary proceedings in Great Britain, such rules and orders as may be proper to be Established as Standing rules and orders of this House, reported that the Committee had agreeable to order prepared the same, and that the Committee were ready to make their report, when the Honorable House will please receive the same.

ORDERED, That the report be now made; And M^r Stokes read the Report in his place and afterwards delivered the same in at the Table

RESOLVED Nemine Contradissente That this House will to morrow resolve itself into a Committee to take into Consideration the report of the said Committee,

ORDERED, That all the Members who are in Town be summoned to Attend,

And then the House was adjourned 'till to morrow Morning ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 31st Augusti

The House met According to Adjournment

A Message was brought from the Commons House by

M^r Shruder with an Ingrossed Bill “for granting to his Majesty the sum of Four thousand two hundred and Ninety nine pounds eight Shillings and one penny half penny and for empowering the Commissioners therein Named to Stamp Imprint sign and Issue Paper Certificates to the Amount of the said sum for the uses and purposes therein Mentioned” which was read the first time and ordered to be read a second time to morrow.

The House was Adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee upon the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled an Act to Enforce the payment of the Arrears of Taxes due in this Province from Persons holding, or Claiming to hold lands by virtue of and under Grants Signed by the Governor of South Carolina in the year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Sixty three. After some time the House was resumed, and M^r Hume from the Committee of the whole House reported, the Committee had gone thro’ the said Bill and made Several Amendments, which he was directed to Report, when the Hon^{ble} House will please receive the same

RESOLVED, That this House will receive the said Report To morrow.

And then, the House was adjourned
'till to morrow Morning ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 1st Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled

An Act "for Granting to his Majesty the sum of Four thousand two hundred and ninety nine pounds Eight shillings and one penny half penny, and for Impowering Commissioners to Stamp Imprint sign and Issue paper Certificates to the Amount of the said sum for the uses and purposes therein Mentioned" was read a second time and ordered to be Committed to a Committee of the whole House to morrow.

Agreeable to order M^r Hume from the Committee to whom was referd the consideration of the Bill Intituled an Act "to Enforce the payment of the Arrears of Taxes due in this Province from Persons holding or Claiming to hold lands by Virtue of and under Grants signed by the Governor of South Carolina in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty three, Reported the Amendments made in the Committee to the said Bill, which being again read were agreed to by the House. Ordered that the said Bill be read a third time.

The House was Adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee to take into Consideration the report of the Committee Appointed to Collect rules ^(sic) from the Journals of this House; and from the Parliamentary Proceedings in Great Britain, such rules and orders as may be proper to be established as Standing rules and Orders for this House.

After some time,

M^r Hume from the Committee reported that they had taken into Consideration the Rules Reported, and made some Amendments thereto, which the Committee had directed him to Report, when the Honorable House will please receive the same:

ORDERED that the report be made on ———

And then the House adjourned till to morrow Morning ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 2nd Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Farley with a Bill Intituled an Act to oblige Masters of Vessels and other Transient Persons Importing Goods and Merchandize to pay Tax for the same, and to compel the Persons directed to receive the same to give Security for the due performance of their Office, and for Monies that may be received by them by Virtue of Any Act of this Province—which was read the first time

And then, The House adjourned till to
morrow Morning ten O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris the 3^d Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment,

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act to oblige Masters of Vessels and other Transient Persons Importing goods and Merchandize into this Province to pay Tax for the same, And to Compel the Persons directed to receive the same to give Security for the due performance of their Office, and for Monies that may be received by them, by Virtue of any Act of this Province" was read a second time, and ordered to be Committed and then the House Adjourn'd

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 4th Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment.

The House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee upon the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled an Act to oblige Masters of Vessells and other Transient Persons Importing goods and Merchandize into this Province to pay Tax for the same, and to compel the persons direct ^(sic) to receive the same to give Security for the due performance of their office, and for monies that may be received by them by Virtue of this or any Act of this Province

After some time,

The House was resumed and M^r Powell reported, that the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill without making any Amendment thereto,

And then the House Adjourned till
Monday Morning ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 6th Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned till to morrow Morning ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis 7th Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment

A Message from the Commons House by M^r Jameison with a Bill for granting to his Majesty the Sum of Five thousand, One hundred and Seventy one pounds fifteen shillings and ten pence half penny for the use and support of the Government of Georgia for the year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and Seventy three, to be raised at Certain rates and after the method therein Mentioned and for the more Effectual Collecting Ar-rears Was read the first time, And ordered to be read a Second time.

And then the House Adjourned 'till to
morrow Morning Ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 8th Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House for granting to his Majesty the sum of Five thousand, One hundred and Seventy one pounds fifteen shillings and ten pence half penny for the use and support of the Government of Georgia for the year one thousand seven hundred and seventy three, to be raised at certain rates and after the method therein mentioned, and for the more Effectual Collecting Arrears was read a second time

The Ingrossed Bill Intituled an Act for granting to his Majesty the sum of Four thousand two hundred and Ninety nine pounds eight shillings and one penny half penny and for Impowering the Commissioners therein Named to stamp, Imprint sign and Issue paper Certificates to the amount of the said sum, for the uses and purposes therein mentioned—Was read the third time—

And the Question being put “Whether this Bill shall pass”

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That the Clerk do return the said Bill to the Commons House, and acquaint them this House hath passed the same.

And then the House adjourned 'till to
morrow Morning Ten O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 9th Septembris

The House met According to adjournment and adjourned 'till to morrow Morning ten O'clock

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Veneris 10th Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment.

A Message from the Commons House with an In-

grossed Bill "to empower the Commissioners of the General Loan to Stamp Imprint sign and Issue Paper Bills of Credit to the Amount of five hundred and twenty pounds Sterling, being in lieu of that sum received by them as Interest money Unappropriated, (the bills of which are obliterated and decayed) by Virtue of an Act Intituled an Act for Stamping Imprinting Issuing and making Current the sum of Seven thousand four hundred and ten pounds in paper bills of Credit, and for applying and sinking the said Sum of five hundred and twenty pounds in Aid of the General Tax" for the service of the Year one thousand seven hundred & Seventy three, and also for other purposes therein Mentioned" was read the first time, and ordered to be read a Second time.

The House was adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee upon the Bill for granting to his Majesty the sum of Five thousand two hundred and Seventy one pounds fifteen Shillings and ten pence half penny"

After some time the House was resumed, and M^r Hume from the Committee reported, that the Committee had gone thro the said Bill without making any Alteration therein.

ORDERED that the Bill be read a third time to morrow,

And then the House was adjourned till
to morrow Morning Ten O'clock .

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Sabbati the 11th Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment.

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A Message from the Commons House by M^r Hall in the words following

Commons House of Assembly 10th September 1773

Honorable Gentlemen

This House have appointed a Committee to Joyn a Committee of your House to burn and destroy such torn, obliterated and defaced Bills as are now in the Office of the Commissioners of the General Loan, pursuant to an Act Intituled an Act for Stamping Imprinting Issueing and making Current the sum of Seven thousand four hundred and ten pounds Sterling in paper Bills of Credit and for applying and sinking the same.

The Bill from the Commons House Intituled an Act to oblige Masters of Vessells and other Transient Persons Importing Goods and Merchandize to pay Tax for the same, and to Compel the Persons directed to receive the same to give Security for the due performance of their Office, and for monies that may be received by them by Virtue of any Act of this province

And the Question being put "Whether the Bill shall pass"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED That the Clerk return the said Bill to the Commons and Acquaint them this House hath passed the same.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House Intituled An Act to empower the Commissioners of the General Loan "to Stamp Imprint sign and Issue Paper Bills of Credit to the Amount of Five hundred and Twenty pounds Sterling being in lieu of that sum received by

them as Interest Money unappropriated (the bills of which are obliterated and decayed) by Virtue of an Act Intituled an Act for stamping Imprinting Issueing and making Current the sum of Seven Thousand Four hundred and ten pounds, in paper Bills of Credit and for applying and sinking the same, and for appropriating the said sum of five hundred and twenty pounds in Aid of the General Tax for the Service of the year one thousand seven hundred and Seventy three, and also to reprint sign and Issue the further sum of seventy three pounds for other purposes therein Mentioned; was read the second time, And a Motion being made, It was resolved Nemine Contradicente, "That this House will proceed to the Committment and third Reading of the said Bill notwithstanding the same hath already received a Second reading this day, as the Session hath now lasted a Considerable time and the Publick Business requires dispatch; The House Accordingly Resolved itself into a Committee to take into Consideration the said Bill, and after some time spent therein, M^r Graham reported the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to Report, when the honorable House will please receive the same

ORDERED that the Report be now made,

And M^r Graham read the Amendments in his place and ^(sic) and delivered the same in at the Table where the same was again read and agreed to by the House,

And then the Bill with the Amendments was read the third time, And the Question being put, whether this Bill shall pass, It was resolved in the Affirmative

•ORDERED, That the Clerk return the said Bill to the Commons House and desire their Concurrence to the Amendments made by this House

The following Message was sent by the Clerk to the Commons House

M^r Speaker,

In Answer to the Message from your House of this day desiring this House will appoint a Committee to joyn a Committee of your House to burn and destroy such Torn Obliterated and defaced Bills, as are now in the Office of the Commissioners of the Loan, do agree to the same and have appointed a Committee Accordingly.

Committee

Hon^{ble} { Lewis Johnson }
 { James Hume } Esquires.

The Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House intituled An Act "for granting to his Majesty the sum of Five thousand one hundred and Seventy one pounds fifteen shillings and ten pence half penny for the use and support of the Government of Georgia for the year One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy three, to be raised at Certain rates and after the Method therein Mentioned and for the more Effectual Collecting of Arrears was read the third time,

And the Question being put "Whether this Bill shall pass"

It was resolved in the Affirmative.

ORDERED, That the Clerk return the said Bill to the Commons House and Acquaint them this House doth agree to the same.

A Motion being made setting forth, that a Majority of this House did in a private Manner agree to and Au-

thorise the Commons House of Assembly to make certain Alterations proposed by them in a private Manner to an Ordinance Appointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Solicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain, after the same had passed both Houses, Notwithstanding the declared Dissent of one of the Members of this House then present, the House being then of Opinion that the Amendments proposed were only Matters of form and not of Substance

In order therefore to prevent for the future any such Mistakes.

It is Resolved, that this House will not in future agree to any Alterations or Amendments either in form or Substance being made to any Bill or Ordinance, which have passed both Houses, without the concurrence of every Member of this House then present when such Alterations are proposed to be made.

And then the House was Adjourned 'till
Monday Morning ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Lunæ the 13th Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment and Adjourned till to morrow Morning Eleven O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 14th Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment

A Message was brought from the Commons House

by Doctor Houstoun with a Bill Intituled an Act to Continue the several Laws therein Mentioned," Also a Bill to prevent Counterfeiting the Paper Money of other his Majestys Colonies or Provinces in America which Bills were read the first time,

And a Motion being made it was Resolved Nemine Contradicente that the House will proceed to the second reading and Committment of the said Bills, Notwithstanding the same have had a first Reading.

After some time,

The Ingrossed Bill to Continue the Several Laws therein Mentioned, Also the Bill to prevent Counterfeiting the paper Money of other his Majestys Colonies or Provinces in America, were read the Second time,

And then, The House resolved itself into a Committee to take into Consideration, the Bill to prevent Counterfeiting the paper Money of other his Majestys Colonies or Provinces in America"

After some time, the House was resumed and M^r Graham from the Committee reported, that the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill and made some Amemdments, which he was directed to report when the honorable House will please to receive the same.

The House was again put into a Committee upon the Bill Intituled an Act to continue the Several Laws therein Mentioned.

After some time the House was resumed. M^r Graham from the Committee Reported, that the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill and made several Amemdments

thereto which he was directed to Report, when the Honorable House will be pleased to receive the same.

ORDERED that M^r Graham do now report the Amendments made by the Committee to the two foregoing Bills.

M^r Graham Accordingly reported the several Amendments in his place, and afterwards delivered them in at the Table where the Amendments were again read and agreed to by the House

ORDERED, That the said Bills be read the third time to morrow.

And then the House was Adjourned till to morrow Morning Nine O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 15th Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment

The Bill from the Commons House Intituled an Act for Continuing the Several Laws therein Mentioned, Also the Bill Intituled An Act to Prevent counterfeiting the Paper Money of other his Majesty's Colonies or Provinces in America. Were severally read with the Amendments the third time,

And the Question being put "Whether the said Bills shall severally Pass

It was Resolved in the Affirmative

ORDERED That the Clerk return the said Bills to the Commons House and Acquaint them that this house have passed the said Bill with some Amendments to which this House desire the Concurrence of their House.

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Farley with a Bill for Establishing a Watch in the Town of Savannah, and for granting to his Majesty the sum of four hundred and fifty pounds for the Support thereof, and for Collecting of Arrears, and also to Empower Commissioners to Stamp and Imprint Certificates for the said sum and to raise a fund for sinking the same," which was read the first time

And a Motion being made, that the said Bill be now read a Second time, it was read a Second time Accordingly.

And then the House adjourned 'till to-morrow Morning ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Jovis the 16th Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment

The House was Adjourned during pleasure and put into a Committee to take under Consideration the Ingrossed Bill from the Commons House for Establishing a Watch in the Town of Savannah, and for Granting to his Majesty the sum of four hundred and fifty pounds for the support thereof, and for Collecting of Arrears and also to Empower Commissioners to Stamp and Imprint Certificates for that sum and to raise a fund for

sinking the same, After some time M^r Powell from the Committee reported that the Committee had gone thro' the said Bill and made several Amendments thereto which he was directed to report when the Honorable House will be pleased to receive the same

ORDERED that the report be now made, And M^r Powell Reported the Amendments in his place and afterwards delivered the Bill with the Amendments in at the Table where the same were again read and agreed to by the House.

ORDERED that the said Bill be read the third time this Afternoon

M^r Powell from the Committee Appointed to Confer with a Committee of the Commons House on the Subject Matter of the Amendments made by this House to the Bill Intituled An Act to Ascertain Publick Officers fees, also the fees of other Persons therein Mentioned Reported that the Committee of the Commons House had agreed to the Amendments made by this House to the said Bill,

And then the House Adjourned till
four O'clock in the Afternoon

Die Jovis Post Meridien

The House met According to Adjournment

RESOLVED Nemine Contradicente The ^(sic) the Bill Intituled an Act for Establishing a Watch in the Town of

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Savannah, blending together Matters of Legislation and Taxation and thereby tending to preclude this House from Making Amendments thereto, is Unparliamentary and in derogation of the rights of this House.

RESOLVED Nem, Con, That this House will Consider no Bill as a Money Bill in which there is not the Usual and Necessary Clause of a Gift and Grant by the Commons to the Crown and a Motion being made, and the Question put, that the said Bill be read a third time, It passed in the Negative,

ORDERED That the Bill be rejected.

M^r President Informed the House that he had a Message from his Excellency, signed by his Excellency which he was directed to lay before this House, and he delivered the same in at the Table, where the same was read and is as follows

Honorable Gentlemen

I do hereby adjourn the Upper House of Assembly untill tuesday the 28th day of this Instant September, then to meet for the dispatch of Business, And it is Accordingly adjourned 'till the twenty eighth Instant

Given under my hand at Savannah
the 16th day of September 1773

JA: WRIGHT

To the Honorable the President
and the Members of the Upper
House of Assembly }

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Martis the 28th Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment, and adjourned till to morrow Morning ten O'clock.

(From B. P. R. O.—B. of T., Georgia, Vol. 46.)

Die Mercurii the 29th Septembris

The House met According to Adjournment

His Excellency the Governor came to this House and sent a Message to the Commons House by the Clerk, requiring their Attendance in the Council Chamber Immediately; And M^r Speaker with the Commons House Attending, his Excellency was pleased to give his Assent to the following Bills, viz^t

An Act "To Prevent the Mischiefs arising from the Practice of hunting or killing Deer by Fire light in the Night time.

An Act "For the Better Ordering the Militia

An Act "To empower Commissioners or Surveyors to lay out, make and repair the roads already laid out or may Hereafter be Necessary, and also to Clear the Rivers and Creeks within their Respective Divisions.

An Act "To prevent Damages Arising from Dams or Banks, and for preventing Persons from Stopping the Natural Course or Courses of Water to the Injury of their Neighbours.

An Act "To empower the Commissioners therein Named, to lease to the thirty first day of December, and then to put up for Sale, the Ferry over great Ogechee River, for a term of years, and to Authorize the said Commissioners to Inspect and regulate the said Ferry.

An Act "To prevent the stealing of Horses and neat Cattle, and Unlawfully branding, marking, killing or driving the same—

An Act "For the settling and Ascertaining the Fees to be taken by the several Publick Officers and Persons hereinafter Named.

An Act "To Enforce the payment of the Arrears of Taxes due in this Province from Persons holding or claiming to hold lands, by Virtue of and under Grants Signed by the Governor of South Carolina in the year of Our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and Sixty three.

An Act "For granting to his Majesty a duty upon Raw neat hides Exported from this Province, and for Preventing the Exportation of Unmerchantable Tanned Leather.

An Act "To empower the Commissioners of the General Loan, to stamp Imprint, sign, and Issue Paper Bills of Credit, to the Amount of Five hundred and Twenty pounds Sterling, being in lieu of that sum received by them as Interest money Unappropriated, (the bills of which are obliterated and decayed) by Virtue of an Act "Intituled" an Act for stamping, Imprinting, Issuing and making Current the sum of Seven thousand Four hundred and ten pounds in Paper Bills of Credit, and for applying and sinking the same;" and for Appropriating the said sum of five hundred and twenty pounds in Aid of the General Tax for the Service of

the year One thousand Seven hundred and Seventy three, and also to reprint sign and Issue the further sum of Seventy three pounds for other purposes therein Mentioned.

An Act "To oblige Masters of Vessells and other Transient Persons Importing Negroes and other Slaves, Goods Wares and Merchandize, to pay Tax for the same; and to Compel the Persons directed to receive the same, to give security for the due performance of their Office, and for monies that may be received by them by Virtue of any Act of this Province.

An Act "For granting to his Majesty the sum of Four thousand two hundred and ninety nine pounds, and for empowering the Commissioners therein Named, to Stamp, Imprint, sign and Issue paper Certificates to the Amount of the said sum, for the use and purposes therein Mentioned.

An Act "To prevent Counterfeiting the Paper Money of other his Majesty's Colonies or Provinces in America.

An Act "To Continue the Several Laws therein Mentioned, and for Vesting Several Ferries in the Persons mentioned in an Act "Intituled an Act for the Establishing several Ferries in this Province in the Persons therein Mentioned."

An Act "For granting to his Majesty the sum of Five thousand One hundred and seventy one pound fifteen shillings and ten pence half penny for the use and Support of the Province of Georgia for the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and seventy three, to be raised at certain rates and after the method therein Mentioned and for the more Effectual Collecting of Arrears.

An Ordinance, For appointing the Honorable Grey Elliott Esquire Agent to Solicit the Affairs of this Province in Great Britain, in case of the absence of Benjamin Franklin Esquire from Great Britain.

His Excellency, Then made the following Speech to both Houses in General Assembly met viz^t

Honorable Gentlemen,

M^r Speaker and Gentlemen of the Commons House of Assembly,

It has given me great satisfaction to see this Session of Assembly conducted with that Temper and Harmony which must always be Attended with the best consequences to the Publick— for be assured you will ever find, that when Confidence and Unanimity properly prevail in Publick Measures, they are most likely to be crowned with success.

I am extremely sorry you have been so long detained from your private Affairs, especially during the hottest Season of the year, a time when relaxation from Business is most desirable. And I return you my best thanks for the Service you have done the Province.

JA: WRIGHT

Savannah in Georgia,
Council Chamber the 29th
September 1773 }

After which his Excellency was pleased to Prorogue the General Assembly to Tuesday the eighteenth day of January next, then to meet for the dispatch of Business.

(From B. P. R. O.—A. & W. I., Vol. 235.)

To the King's Most Excellent Majesty

The humble Address and Petition of your Majesty's
faithful Council of your Province of Georgia

Most Gracious Sovereign

We your Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council of your Majesty's Province of Georgia in General Assembly met, being penetrated with the most lively sense of Gratitude for the Paternal Care, which the Sovereign and Father of the British Empire hath always manifested to his Subjects, even in the most distant parts of his Dominions; Beg leave to approach the Throne, with unfeigned Thanks for the like instance of your Royal Attention to the welfare of this Province, in Authorizing your Governor to accept of a Cession of Lands from the Creek and Cherokee Indians; an Acquisition of the utmost consequence, without which this Country, must have remained in a very defenceless State; We saw with the greatest Pleasure the rapid Progress made in the settling of those fertile Lands, in Consequence of the uncommon attention of your Majesty's Governor to that important point, and the prudent Measures taken by him to accomplish it; and we flatter'd ourselves, that we should in a Short time have been so Strengthened by a number of White Inhabitants upon our Frontiers, as would have effectually secured us against any hostile attempts from our Indian Neighbours. But when we had every reason to indulge ourselves with these pleasing prospects, the approach of an unexpected Indian War, has not only blasted those hopes, but reduced us from a State of encreasing Security and Opulence, to a State of distress and imminent Danger—

We humbly presume to represent to your Majesty that the Creeks, one of the most powerful Tribes of Indians on this Continent, have lately committed several Murders (attended with the most Shocking circumstances of wanton Barbarity) on many of your Majesty's faithful Subjects in this Province, and that we have the greatest reason to dread an immediate War, with those cruel Savages, the Consequence of which must, in our weak and defenceless State, be the certain Ruin of this flourishing Colony, as our Enemies are much too powerful for us to resist with any resources of Men and money that this Province can afford—

In a Situation so truly alarming, our only reliance under God, is on your Majesty, whom we humbly Supplicate to order to our Assistance such a number of your Forces, as in your Royal Wisdom, you may think sufficient to protect us against the Outrages of our Savage Enemies, and thereby give your faithful Subjects, that degree of Security to their Lives and Property, which cannot fail of rendering this Province one of the most opulent in your Majesty's American Dominions, and in a Commercial view of great utility to our Mother Country.

Tho' far removed from your Royal Presence, we have ever manifested a dutiful attachment to your Person and Government, and shall continue to offer up our fervent Prayers for the long Life and health of your Majesty, your Royal Consort, and numerous Progeny, and that your Posterity may Sway the British Sceptre to the latest Times—

JAMES HABERSHAM, President

Council Chamber
the 9th March 1774.

(From B. P. R. O.—A. & W. I., Vol. 235.)

To His Excellency Sir James Wright Baronet, Captain General, Governor and Commander in Chief in and over his Majesty's Province of Georgia, Chancellor and vice Admiral of the same—

The humble Address of the Upper House of Assembly

May it please your Excellency.

We his Majesty's most dutiful and loyal Subjects the Council of Georgia in General Assembly met, having taken into our most serious Consideration the present alarming State of the Province, and it appearing to us, from the different Accounts which your Excellency hath been pleased to lay before us, that there is imminent danger of a War with the Creek Indians, We have therefore prepared an humble Address and Petition to our most Gracious Sovereign; praying that he would be pleased to order to our Assistance such a number of his Forces, as in his Royal Wisdom he may think necessary for the Protection of his faithful Subjects here from any further Outrages and depredation of our Savage Neighbours which Address and Petition we now beg Leave to deliver to your Excellency and request you to Transmit the same to be laid before his Majesty.

We have not presumed to mention in our humble application to his Majesty, what number of Forces may be necessary, but it appears to us, That in Case of a War with these Savages, (with which we are threatened) less than one Thousand Men will not be sufficient to protect us against a Tribe of Indians so powerful as the Creeks, whose numbers far exceed any force that we can oppose to them, And that even if a War could be

happily avoided; yet not Less than five hundred Men will be necessary to defend our Frontiers, and prevent the Indians from committing farther Cruelties on his Majesty's Subjects

Our present and dangerous Situation requiring more immediate Aid than our distance from the Mother Country will admit of, We therefore entreat your Excellency to take the earliest opportunity of Applying to the Commander in Chief of his Majesty's Forces in North America for such assistance as your Excellency may think requisite for the protection of the Province, until his Majesty's Royal Pleasure shall be known.

The putting our Frontiers in a Posture of Defence appears to us absolutely necessary even if there were, well grounded hopes of avoiding at present a rupture with the Indians, as we cannot conceive that after what has happened, People will come in to settle the Lands lately Ceded to his Majesty, without they can have some degree of Security against a repetition of the Outrages of the Savages; A Measure of this kind appears to us the more expedient also on this Account, as from the narrow Limits of the Province, before the late Cession there were not Lands sufficient to accommodate such a number of White Inhabitants as are wanted for our internal Security, and without which we must ever remain in a Defenseless State.

On this occasion we cannot help repeating our best thanks to your Excellency for the great pains you have taken in procuring a Cession of those Lands, and the prudent measures, you have pursued for the Settlement of them; We observed with pleasure the rapid progress which was made in consequence of those Measures, and are convinced that had it not been for this unexpected attack of the Creek Indians, we should soon have had

such a number of industrious Settlers, as would have proved Sufficient to have deterred the Indians from attempting to disturb the peace of the Province; And we are Satisfied that with timely assistance, the Colony will yet reap every Advantage from the Cession, which we had reason to hope for from it—

By order of the House

JAMES HABERSHAM, President

Upper House of Assembly
the 9th March 1774—

(From B. P. R. O.—A. & W. I., Vol. 235.)

Honorable Gentlemen

Your address to His most Gracious Majesty Praying his Protection and assistance against our Savage Enemies you may be assured I will Transmit to The Earl of Dartmouth, and desire that His Lordship will be Pleased to lay the Same before His Majesty, and I will enforce Your application in the Strongest Terms, and also write to Major General Haldimand Agreeable to your Request.

I wholly Concur with you in Opinion as to the number of Troops Necessary, and also agree, and am Clear beyond a Doubt that our former limits were so Confined that without the late Acquisition of Territory, this Province never could have Accommodated Such a Number of White Inhabitants as would have given it any Tolerable degree of Security against the Indians, or Other

Internal Enemies, and must always have Continued in a very Weak and Defenceless State.

It is Certainly Painfull to see the most Pleasing Prospect of having our back Country Speedily Settled with Industrious and Good Inhabitants thus Suddenly and Unexpectedly Check't, however I have no kind of doubt but as Soon as the Present difficultys are brought to a Proper Issue. The Lands lately Ceded to His Majesty, will Invite Such a Number of Inhabitants as will Soon Sufficiently Strengthen and Secure us against all future Attempts of those Faithless and Cruel Savages

JA: WRIGHT

9th March 1774.

(From B. P. R. O.—A. & W. I., Vol. 235.)

To his Excellency S^r James Wright Bar^t Captain General & Governor in Chief of his Majestys Province of Georgia.

The Humble Address of the upper House of Assembly.

May it please your Excellency

We his Majestys most Dutiful & loyal Subjects the Council of Georgia in general Assembly met, Beg leave to acquaint your Excellency That it appears to this House from extracts taken from the Journals of the Commons House of Assembly, 'That they have attempted by Resolutions of their House without the Concurrence of this House, to appoint' Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Solicit the affairs of this Province in

Great Britain, and also to name a Committee consisting of Members of that House to Correspond with him as Agent, which We consider as a flagrant attack upon & high infringement of the clear & undoubted Rights of this House

We have come to several Resolutions on this unconstitutional conduct of the Commons House, To which we beg leave to refer your Excellency, And we humbly request your Excellency will be pleased to make such Representations in Support of the Just Rights & priviledges of this House as to your Excellency may seem Meet, That no person in Character of Provincial Agent may be received at any Public Board in Great Britain who is not duely Appointed & Authorized by an Act of the whole Legislative Body, And That your Excellency will continue to support this House in all its Constitutional Rights and Priviledges

By Order of the House

JAMES HABERSHAM, President

Upper House of Assembly

12th March 1774.

(From B. P. R. O.—A. & W. I., Vol. 235.)

Honorable Gentlemen

I am Extremely Sorry to hear from you, that the Commons House of Assembly have Proceeded to make Resolutions Infringing the Clear and undoubted Rights of your House, and you May Rest assured that I shall Transmit all the Proceedings Relative to the Matters

Complained of, to His Majesty's Secretary of State, and Write a letter to his Lordship on the Subject thereof—and Cannot doubt but you Will be Supported in all your Just Rights and Priviledges, and which as far as Lyes with me, you may depend I Shall ever be Carefull to do.

JA: WRIGHT. 12 March 1774.

(From B. P. R. O.—A. & W. I., Vol. 235.)

GEORGIA

Extracts from the Journals of the Upper House of Assembly of Georgia.

Die Veneris 11^o Martii 1774

M^r Powell from the Committee appointed to examine the Journals of the Commons House of Assembly of this present Session, respecting the proceedings of that House in regard to several Resolutions said to reflect on this House, & also respecting their appointing a Provincial Agent by a resolution of that House only; Reported That the said Committee had met for that purpose, and had some Extracts from the Journals of the Commons House of Assembly, which Extracts are in the Words following Viz^t

Commons House of Assembly.

Thursday. February 24, 1774.

M^r Farley from the Committee appointed to examine the Journals of the upper House respecting theirs proceedings on the Ordinance for appointing a Provincial

Agent, and the several Bills sent from this House, reported, that by the Journals of the upper House, their proceedings on the Ordinance for appointing a Provincial Agent are as follows.

Die Lunæ 24th January 1774

A Message was brought from the Commons House by M^r Clay with an ordinance for re-appointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to Solicit the affairs of this province in Great Britain, and desiring the concurrence of this House thereto.

The engrossed ordinance from the Commons House for reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to solicit the affairs of this province in Great Britain, was read the first time, and ordered to be read the second Time on Thursday next—

Die Jovis 27th January 1774.

The order of the day being read, for reading the Ordinance from the Commons House for reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to solicit the affairs of this Province in Great Britain.

A Motion being made was seconded, that the second reading of the ordinance from the Commons House for reappointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to solicit the affairs of this Province in Great Britain, be adjourned: and the House being informed that some disagreeable Accounts had been received from the Back Country which may probably require the immediate attention of the Legislature It is therefore Ordered That the second reading of the said Ordinance be adjourned to Thursday next.

Die Jovis 3^d February, 1774

The order of the day being read, for reading the ordinance from the Commons House for re-appointing Benjamin ^(sic) Esq^r Agent to solicit the affairs of this province in Great Britain

ORDERED That the second reading of the said Ordinance be adjourned 'til to morrow Morning.

A Motion was made, that a Committee be appointed to enquire into the conduct of Benjamin Franklin Esq^r during the time he was appointed Agent of this province, and that the Committee have order to send for persons, papers and Records, and do make their Report to this House forthwith.

ORDERED That M^r Stokes, M^r Johnson, and M^r Hume be the Committee— M^r Stokes from the Committee appointed to enquire into the conduct of Benjamin Franklin Esq^r during the time he was appointed Agent of this Province, reported, that the Committee in pursuance of the order of this Honorable House, did meet, and on examining ^(sic) the several ordinances for appointing the said Benjamin Franklin Agent of this province; do find that the said Benjamin Franklin was Agent of this Province for the year 1768, 1769, and 1770: That this Committee proceeded to examine his Honour the President and several other Members of the Committee appointed to correspond with the said Benjamin Franklin as agent, and that they severally informed the Committee that they did not recollect the ever seeing or hearing read any letter, or paragraph of a letter, from the said Benjamin Franklin as Agent, Save and except one general Letter soon after his first appointment, declaring his being satisfied with the salary provided for him, and that he would endeavour to Serve the province as far as was in

his power, or words to that effect. All which is humbly submitted to this Honourable Board. And the said Report being again ^(sic) by the Clerk was approved by the House.

Die Veneris 4th February, 1774.

The order of the day being read, for the second reading of the ordinance from the Commons House for re-appointing Benjamin Franklin Esq^r Agent to solicit the affairs of this province in Great Britain, and the question being put that the said ordinance be now read a second time, it passed in the negative, nemine contradicente.

RESOLVED, nemine Contradicente, That the said Ordinance be rejected. Your Committee further report, that by the said Journals, it appears the Upper House have proceeded on the several bills sent from this House (as your Committee apprehends) in the usual forms.

The House having taken the said report into consideration Ordered, That M^r Farley, M^r Andrew, D^r Jones, M^r Shruder, and M^r Simpson, be a Committee to enquire into the several Matters set forth in the journals of the upper House respecting the conduct of Benjamin Franklin Esq^r since his appointment as Agent for this province, and particularly during the years 1768, 1769 and 1770, and report their opinion thereon to the House, and that they have power to send for persons, papers, and records.

Monday February 28, 1774.

M^r Farley from the Committee appointed to enquire into the several matters set forth in the Journals of the upper House respecting the conduct of Benjamin Franklin Esq^r since his appointment as Agent for this province and particularly during the years 1768, 1769 and 1770. Report that it appears to your Committee, by an ordi-

nance passed the 11th day of May 1768 Benjamin Franklin Esq^r was appointed Agent to solicit the affairs of this province in Great Britain for one whole year; That, in an Ordinance for re-appointing the said Benjamin Franklin to that office, passed the 27th of February 1770 the preamble sets forth: And whereas the dissolution of the said Assembly immediately following prevented the said ordinance from going through its regular Forms: And whereas the said Benjamin Franklin, notwithstanding the want of such appointment, hath continued to transact the business of this Province in Great Britain, be it therefore Ordained &c^a That the said Benjamin Franklin was also re-appointed Agent by an ordinance passed the 10th of May 1770; and by the journals of the Commons House of the 21st of December 1770, it appears that the upper House had agreed to the re-appointment of him for the year 1771: That it appears very extraordinary to your Committee that the objection lately made to M^r Franklin by the upper House should not have taken place in September last, when they agreed to a like ordinance re-appointing the same Gentleman as Agent.

Your Committee further report: That the Committee appointed to correspond with the said Benjamin Franklin as Agent transmitted their Instructions to him by letter dated 19th of May 1768, a duplicate whereof was sent the 26th of the same month: That the Committee received an Answer thereto from M^r Franklin by letter dated the 9th August 1768 directed to James Habersham Esq^r That the said Committee transmitted letters to M^r Franklin bearing date the 11th, 23^d and 28th days of May 1770, and in that of the 23^d they say, Perhaps it may be necessary to make an Apology for an intermission in our Correspondence with you as a Committee, which, however, you will be pleased to believe did not arise from the least doubt of your Intentions or abilities to serve us,

but from circumstances arising from the dissolution of the late Assembly which are now subsided: That those letters were severally answered by M^r Franklin in his of the 10th of August 1770 directed to the Hon. James Habersham Esq^r and the rest of the Gentlemen of the Committee of Correspondence for the Province of Georgia, which Letter is entered in the minute book of the Said Committee: That in the Journals of the Commons House, and also in the printed Copy thereof, of the 7th November 1769, are two Letters, dated the 3^d of April and the 7th of June 1769. received from M^r Franklin as Agent on the publick business of this Province: That the said Benjamin Franklin, as well during the continuance of his Agency as since the expiration thereof, has exerted his utmost abilities to serve his Constituents, as appears by many paragraphs in Letters received from him, (exclusive of those before mentioned) particularly in one bearing date the 1st of May 1771, wherein was inclosed the draught of a Petition to his Majesty in Council relative to the claim of lands by the Assigns of Sir William Baker deceased, which said Paragraphs of Letters, and draught of petition, were (as your Committee are informed) communicated to several Members of the Upper House, to the Commons House of Assembly, and also to most of the Members of the Committee of Correspondence: That, upon the evidence of the several facts above Stated, your Committee have.

RESOLVED That it is the opinion of your Committee, that the determination of the upper House on the enquiry into the conduct of the said Benjamin Franklin Esq^r during his Agency for this province, is uncandid, and contains unjust reflections on the publick reputation of that Gentleman.

RESOLVED That it is the opinion of your Committee,

that the said Benjamin Franklin hath on all occasions since his first appointment as Agent, and more especially during the years 1768, 1769 and 1770, been indefatigable in negotiating the affairs of this province, and hath faithfully executed every matter given him in charge, either from the the ^(sic) Commons House of Assembly, or by the Committee of Correspondence

RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of your Committee, that the thanks of this House be given to the said Benjamin ^(sic) Esq^r for the just discharge of the important trust reposed in him and that M^r Speaker be requested to acquaint him therewith, and assure him, that the House retains a grateful Sense of his repeated offers and endeavours to serve the Province

And the same being taken into immediate consideration.

RESOLVED That the House doth agree with the Committee in their Report.

Wednesday March 2, 1774.

Motion being made that the House ^(sic) into the following Resolutions viz^t

RESOLVED, That it is the opinion of this House, that the power of appointing an Agent to Solicit and transact the publick affairs of the inhabitants of this ^(sic) in Great Britain is a right and priviledge which is and ought to be exclusively lodged in the Representatives of the People.

RESOLVED, That Benjamin Franklin Esq^r be Agent for one whole year, commencing from this 2^d day of March, 1774, to represent, Solicit, and transact the affairs of this province in Great Britain and he is hereby

fully authorized and empowered to follow and pursue all such instructions as he shall from time to time receive from the Commons House of Assembly, or the Committee appointed to correspond with him

RESOLVED. That the Hon. William Young Esq^r, Noble Wimberly Jones Joseph Clay, Samuel Farley, Thomas Shruder, John Simpson, Thomas Netherclift, Thomas Young and David Zubly Esq^{rs} shall be, and they are hereby appointed a Committee to correspond with the said Benjamin Franklin, and give him such orders and instructions from time to time as they shall Judge to be for the service of this province; and the said Agent is directed, in all his Correspondence, to address his letters to the first named in the above Committee and the other members thereof, who shall, as soon as may be, summon the Members of the said Committee to meet, and take under consideration the matters contained in such Letters, and in case of the absence from Savannah of the person first in nomination, then any other Member of the Committee who shall be present, and proceed to business, but no letter to be opened, or the seal broke, upon any pretence whatsoever, before five of the said Committee are present.

RESOLVED, That the said Benjamin Franklin be allowed and paid for his Agency the sum of £150 Sterling money of Great Britain for the Term aforesaid over and above his Charges and disbursements on his application to his Majesty, or the several offices and Boards, in negotiating the affairs of this Province in Great Britain

RESOLVED, That this House will provide in the next General Tax Act the said Sum of £150 to be paid to the said Benjamin Franklin Esq^r for his Agency, and also all other Charges and disbursements attending the same—

A debate arising thereon, and the question being put upon the several Resolutions, they passed in the affirmative. The Members for the Resolutions were; M^r Farley, D^r Jones, M^r Clay, M^r Zubly, M^r Thomas Young, D^r Houstoun, M^r Netherclift, M^r Powell, M^r Treutlen, M^r Simpson, Sir Patrick Houstoun, M^r Andrew, M^r Maxwell, M^r Sallens, M^r Stirk, M^r Millen and M^r Shruder, the Members against the said resolutions were M^r Hall and M^r Jamieson—

And M^r Powell Reported that the said Committee had come to several resolutions on the occasion, which they directed him to report to this House; and are as follows;

RESOLVED That is ^(sic) appears to your Committee, that the correspondence between Benjamin Franklin Esq^r as Provincial Agent and the Committee of Correspondence was mislaid or secreted from this House, and every Member thereof during the whole of this Session of Assembly until this 11th day of March and therefore the Members of this House, who were of the Committee of Correspondence and gave such Information, as is mentioned in a report made to this House on the 3^d of February last, spoke from recollection only, and if any mistake has been made by any Member, the same must have been owing, to his not seeing the correspondence to refresh his Memory by; It is therefore the opinion of your Committee, That a Resolution of the Commons House of Assembly of the 28th of February last, alledging that this House was uncandid in their determination on the enquiry into the Conduct of Benjamin Franklin Esq^r is illiberal, and without just foundation and appears to be calculated to make a Breach betwixt the two Houses, at a time when the exigencies of the Province require the greatest Unanimity. That it appears to your Committee, that there were only two Letters wrote by the

said Benjamin Franklin to the Committee of Correspondence, which ever came to the knowledge of any Member of this House; and that the two Letters from the said Benjamin Franklin mentioned in the Report of the Committee of the Commons House of Assembly, to be entered in the Journals of that House of the 7 November 1769, were directed to the then Speaker of the Commons House, and therefore cannot be considered as letters wrote to the Committee of Correspondence.

RESOLVED That it does not appear to your Committee that the said Benjamin Franklin has ever done any real Service to this Province

RESOLVED That it is the opinion of your Committee That the Committee of the Commons House of Assembly, were imposed upon in the Information they mentioned to have received, respecting a letter from the said Benjamin Franklin bearing date the 1st May 1771. Because your Committee upon enquiring of the Members of your House; were informed, that to the best of their recollection, no such letter was ever Shown any of them either as Members of the Committee of Correspondence, or as Members of the Upper House

RESOLVED That it is the opinion of your Committee That the Commons House of Assembly have no Right to appoint an Agent for this Province by any resolution or Act of their House only, or to appoint a Committee to correspond with any such pretended Agent; and Therefore it appears to your Committee that such Resolutions are unconstitutional, in as much, as the Commons House of Assembly, thereby assume to themselves the sole Power of Legislation in the appointment of a Provincial Agent and that the said Resolutions are an open attack on the just Rights and Priviledges of this House, and the known prerogative of the Crown

RESOLVED That it is the opinion of your Committee That an humble address be prepared to his Excellency the Governor, requesting that he will be pleased to make such representation in support of the just rights and Priviledges of this House, as to his Excellency may seem meet against the encroachments of the Commons House of Assembly, and that no pretended Agent appointed by any Resolution or Act of that House only be admitted as such at any of the Publick Boards in Great Britain.

All which is humbly submitted to the Judgment of this Honorable House.

11th March 1774.

RESOLVED—Nemine Contradicente That this House do immediately go into a Committee of the House on the Report this day made by M^r Powell

M^r Graham from the Committee of the whole House to whom was referred the Report this day made by M^r Powell. Reported That the Committee had agreed to the said Report.

RESOLVED Nem. Con. That this House do agree to the Report of the said Committee

I do hereby Certify That the above is a true Copy taken from the Journals of the Upper House of Assembly, Georgia Savannah the 11th day of March 1774.

DAV^d MONTAIGUT Dep. Clk of y^e Upper House.

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- Bill to enable commissioners to alien and convey to Hon. Wm. Simpson, certain part of common of Savannah, etc., read first time, 246; read third time and passed, 250.
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- Bill to amend act for better ordering and governing negroes, etc., read first time, 260; amended, 262; read third time and passed, 264.
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- Bill for regulating lumber, etc., read first time, 302; amended, 317; read third time and passed with amendments, 319.
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- Bill to build light-house on Tybee Island and granting to His Majesty £2200 for that purpose, etc., read first time, 464; read third time and passed, 475.
- Bill to amend and continue act establishing and regulating patrols, etc., read first time, 472; amended, 479; read third time and passed, 480.
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